February 14, 1966

MEMORANDUM

To: NAACP Branches

From: John M. Brooks, Director
NAACP Voter Registration

Re: Southern Regional Council Voter Education Project
Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director

FUNDS FOR VOTER REGISTRATION EDUCATION

There is a possibility that NAACP branches may be able to secure financial assistance to promote their Voter Registration Education Projects from:

Southern Regional Council Voter Education Project
Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director
5 Forsythe Street
Atlanta, Georgia

GUIDELINES FOR REQUESTING AID FROM MR. JORDAN

1. State the purpose of your drive. To get every person Registered in Pittsylvania Co.
   i.e. (a) How many new voters do you expect to put on the rolls? 4 or 5 Thousand
   (b) In what precincts or districts do you plan to work? (The VEP is more interested in your doing a GOOD JOB in several districts or precincts than a poor job in a city-wide or county area.) All Districts
   (c) Period of project. (The VEP is more interested in a 2 or 3 month program than a 4 to 12 month program.) Want to Start first of March
   (d) Your organizational plans. to get every one Registered to vote
   (e) Financial assistance needed. (Voter Registration Projects vary in different areas.)

A Suggestive Illustration I believe I could work this Voter Registration

Program Coordinator	$ _____
Assistant Coordinators	_____
Transportation	_____
Telephone	_____
Literature	_____
Lunch etc. for workers	_____
Workers at the registrar's office to record the names and addresses of new voters	_____
Miscellaneous	_____

Call your Voter Registration Committee together, plan your program and send in a request for financial aid to Mr. Jordan.

IMPORTANT: Be realistic in writing up your request. The VEP has a very limited amount of money. Branches that will receive the most favorable consideration will be those branches that can show:

1. They have had successful drives and/or that they are already promoting a voter registration drive.
2. They have or can raise part of the money needed for their project.
3. They have volunteers who will work without pay. (This is important because volunteer workers carry on the major work of any successful voter registration project.)

As stated before, the money is limited. Regardless of whether you receive any money or not, IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF YOUR BRANCH AND COMMUNITY TO QUALIFY EVERY NON-REGISTERED NEGRO TO VOTE IN THE 1966 ELECTIONS.

For further information contact: NAACP Voter Registration Committee
301 East Clay Street
Richmond, Virginia
Phone MIlton 4-5678 or MIlton 8-2435
or
Your NAACP State Conference of Branches

Just my wife + I have already Reg. up over 600 People from our Beauty Shop.

MRS. AMANDA BRYANT
304 ARKANSAS STREET
HELENA, ARKANSAS

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Guidelines for VEP Grants -

Kind of Program-- This program is proposed to work in Voter Registration and Citizenship Education..and Leadership training.... The areas of Voter Registration, Citizenship Education and Leadership training need development... The goals are to have better and more voter registrations, develop the area of Citizenship Education and certainly to train more of our people for leadership.....Methods to be used are...through meetings, programs, panel discussions, gatherings .... to enlighten our people in the area of citizenship education...to encourgge more people to vote and to train a number of the people for leadership....

The political and geographical boundaries of the place served by the program..... State of Arkansas, County of Phillips...all precints....

The program personnel and their duties are:

Mrs. Amanda Bryant, Director....Supervisor of local operations
Mrs. Gladys Simmons, Secretary....to keep adequate records of all transactions
Miss Joyce Marie Troop, Ass't. Secretary...to assist the secretary
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Cost....$2795.00.....Detailed Budget Attached.....

Time....Anticipated duration of program....eight weeks....

The present political picture is one that does not include representation as bread asshould be with reference to the Negro....A rough estimate of the number of Negroes who voted in the last elections..10,000... A few Negroes have run for elective offices....Negroes hold several appointive jobs..... There are a number of active organizations.....Hours of registrations will be from 9A.m. to 5 P.M. five days per week....The dates will depend on our hearing from your office with reference to the budget approval. Current registration figures....approximately 12,000....The community has a mixed feeling

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT (NAACP)

PROPOSED BUDGET

Period EIGHT WEEKS

Place: HELENA, PHILLIPS COUNTY, ARKANSAS Date: APRIL 5, 1966

304 ARKANSAS STREET
HELENA, ARKANSAS

Salaries - Professional	Mrs. Amanda Bryant	$ 400.00
Clerical	Mrs. Gladys Simmons	280.00
Travel	Citizenship-Teachers	280.00
Transportation		1,000.00
Office Rent		50.00
Tele. & Tele		50.00
Publicity & Promotion		350.00
Office Supplies		75.00
Printing Supplies		50.00
Furniture & Fixtures		20.00
~~[illegible]~~	Speakers	100.00
Postage		40.00
Awards		50.00
Refreshments		50.00
Total		$2,795.00

Submitted by Mrs. Amanda Bryant

MEMO from W. C. Patton

April 28, 1966

TO: VERNON JORDAN

Enclosed herewith is a proposal from the Helena, Phillips County, Arkansas Branch of the NAACP.

I hope that it will meet with your approval.

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NAACP SPECIAL VOTER EDUCATION CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

Name of Branch PHILLIPS COUNTY NAACP

Committee Members Miss Hazel Foreman, Mrs. Florence Davis, Mrs. Rosie Hill Miss Georgia Boyd, Mr. Mathis Eubanks, John L. Simmons, Mrs. Sarah Strickland

Chairman Mr. M. A. Ryan

Address Rt. 1, Box 385 B, Lexa, Arkansas

City _____ State _____

Phone 3 Ju 5-3845

Co-Chairman Mr. Prince Mays

Co-Chairman Mr. John A. Simmons

Co-Chairman Mrs. Zella Ryan

Secretary Mrs. Arnary Bogan

Address Rt. 1, Box 376

City Helena Phone Hi 4-3540

Assistant Secretary Miss Joyce Marie Troop

Treasurer Mr. R. D. Wright

Address Rt. 1, Box 420A

City Helena Phone Hi 4-2822

Director Mrs. Amanda Bryant

Address 304 Arkansas Street

City Helena Phone Hi 4-3127

Office Secretary Mrs. Gladys Simmons

Address Rt. 1, Box 385B

City Helena, Phone Hi 4-3089

Office Address 304 Arkansas Street, Helena, Arkansas

Phone Hi 4-3127

Signed: Mr. Jack Bryant.

Branch President

Mrs. Arnary Bogan.

Branch Secretary

PROPOSAL FOR THE VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT
(NAACP)

HELENA, PHILLIPS COUNTY, ARKANSAS

GEOGRAPHY:

The settlement of Helena, Arkansas was in the year 1820. It sets on the Mississippi River 120 miles southeast of Little Rock, Arkansas... 88 miles southwest of Memphis, Tennessee. Helena's location on the Mississippi River m akes the city open for shipping. Helena is the county seat for Phillips county enjoying average temperature during the seasons of the year. The average temperature is 62.7 (annual) ..annual average rainfall 51.36

HISTORY:

Sacred Heart Academy in 1858, a boarding school and convent, was established on this seat in former residency Col. Henry L. Biscoe and four sisters of Mercy who came from Ireland with Bishop Andrew Bryne. The school was in the middle of heavy fighting during the battle of Helena July 4, 1863 and was used as a hospital by the sisters who tended for both Union and Confederate wounded. The school was closed from 1868 to 1879 at which time it was reopened by the sisters of Charity from Nazreth, Kentucky.

HEALTH

Phillips County has a number of clinics, two nursing homes and a well staffed hospital modern and intergrated. The hospital has 115 beds.

EDUCATION:

There are 31 public schools in phillips county.... 6 high schools and 25 elementary schools with a total enrollment of 12, 348, parochial school 140. One of the first Negro schools in the state is located at Helena. It was named for Eliza Miller, a public-spirited negro woman, whose efforts and money made it possible. A Junior College is expected to open in September of this year.

TRANSPORTATION:

Transportation is provided by one city bus line, three bus lines, two railroads, two truck lines, two taxi cab companies, river transportation and Thompson Robbins Airport.

PORT AND INDUSTRY: & AGRICULTURE

The Pork Of Helena offers modern facilities for handling of general and bulk cargo...4th ranking in tonnage River Port on the Mississippi

Industry - Type...Lumber, wood products, plywood, cottonseed processing, soybean processing, ladies dresses and sports wear, auto and truck tires, inflatable toys, swimming pools, fertilizer and others

Phillips County Chief Agriculture products are: Cotton; soybeans, rice, vegetables and fruit. There were 124,900 bales of cotton produced in Phillips County during the year of 1964...valued at $20,608,500.00 est.

PUBLICITY:

Local daily with 7000 circulation, Little Rock, Arkansas..2 Daily... Memphis, Tennessee 2 Daily...Radio Station...1,000 Watt Mutual network with unlimited time.....Television Reception...3 Memphis Stations (NBC ABC CBS)

POPULATION AND LABOR:

The Population of Phillips County according to the 1960 census is 43,997. The Negro comprise 60 percent of the population. A recent survey shows that the unemployment rate is as low as 1.57...with only 5% of farm workers unemployed as to date.....

HOUSING:

The Helena Housing Authority has built a number of low rent houses and as a result the Negro of the low income bracket has been able to live in a decent house with rent that he can afford to pay. More of the same houses are being constructed now and will house quite a few negroes. Exact figures are not available at this time.

PURPOSE:

It is the purpose of this project to reach 3,500 unregistered Negroes in this county to get them to become registered voters and to train them in their rights and responsibilities as set forth in the constitution of the United States and the laws of their state and local government.

METHODS:

1. Preplanning period to enlist and indoctrinate workers for project.
2. Checking of the registration list to determine who are registered voters.
3. Door to door canvass to contact unregistered voters and those persons who have been purged from the list for lack of participation in required number of election
4. Use of local news media to stimulate interest and participation of all citizens of the community in this registration drive.
5. Special mass meetings in the various areas to inform the people of the purpose of workings of the proposed program.
6. The setting up of incentitive prizes for registration workers in an effort to get all the community organizations to participate in VOTER'S REGISTRATION.
7. The furnishing of necessary transportation for individuals desiring to register.
8. The setting up of places for registration in the outlying community during the evening periods of the day.
9. The stationing of a person or personnel at the local registration places to encourage the people entering these places on other businesses to use this opportunity to get their names on the registration list.

10. The setting up of classes in citizenship training in various sections of the county.

This project will be under the auspices of a special committee whose duty will be to see that the program is carried out according to guide lines as set down by the VOTER'S EDUCATION PROJECT OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL.....COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF...SHEET ATTACHED...

Paid personnel will consist of a director, to administer program and co- ordinate all efforts to this project. A secretary to handle all correspondence communications and necessary bookkeeping chores. Instructors to handle the classes in citizenship education...Note attached sheet....

COST:

The expected cost enclosed on attached sheet.

This program is to cover a proposed period of eight (8) weeks.

BACKGROUND:

The political picture of this county is somewhat confused. With the passage of the Civil Rights Bill of 1964 we can began to see the Negro move up to a few positions that he had not held previously. Prince Mayes is the only elected official in the county (Negro). We have one Negro policeman and another Negro Deputy Sherrif. A Negro was appointed to the school board just last year. The negro is showing more interest in the vote now than ever before. Many meetings are stimulating the the Negro to become registered voters and to use their ballot wisely. More and more I feel that the negro is becoming more aware of his political chances and more meetings indicate that he will be running or canidates for more public offices.

ACTING ORGANIZATIONS IN THE COMMUNITY:
Department of Voter's Education, N. A. A. C. P., Voters League, Civic League.

REGISTRATION

Registration hours in this community are from 9 A.M. until 5 P.M. Mondays through Fridays at the County Courthouse. Community interest and full citizenship participation has been increased by the wide publicity given the unstable condition of the local government and through the efforts of the NAACP.

We believe a registered and informed voting conscious public, can accomplish with greater ease and lasting effect; many of the things that it has taken years to accomplish through demonstrations and expensive court suits. With this in mind we pledge all our energy and know how to the execution of this project.

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT (NAACP)

PROPOSED BUDGET

Period EIGHT WEEKS

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[redacted]	Speakers	100.00
Postage		40.00
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Refreshments		50.00
Total		$2,795.00

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Submitted by: Mrs. Amanda Bryant

304 Ark Street.
May 24-1966
Helena, Ark 72342

Mr. Verion Jordon:

Dear Mr. Jordon, I am sending you these the Deposit Slips + the Cards. I do want to Thank you so very much.
And if there is a time that you and Mr. M.C. Patson. Will have time look in on us down Helena, We are having a big meeting on May 29th Mr John H. Spience will be here with us, the Commission on Civil Rights. And I will get a chance to talk to Voter Reg. + Citizenship + Education. to them. on June 5th Mr. Sonny Walker + Dr. Jerry D. Jerrell will be here from Little Rock, Ark both these meetings are in differents towns but the same County

Yours Truly
Mrs. Amanda Bryant.

TO: VEP 52

May 24, 1966

Mr. Jack Bryant
Branch President
Phillips County Branch
National Association for the
Advancement of Colored People
304 Arkansas Street
Helena, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Bryant:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Phillips County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Phillips County, Arkansas. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a six week program to run from May 30 until July 8, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary @ $50.00 per week	$300.00
b)	(5) Task Force Workers @ $15 per week	450.00
c)	Transportation	250.00
		$1,000.00

We are mindful that the amount granted is considerably less than the amount requested. We hope, however, that your remaining financial needs can be met through fund-raising at the local level. Surely, Phillips

County has not only an interest in voter registration, but vast resources to supplement the contribution of the Voter Education Project.

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips, and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully, and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Mr. Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

May 31, 1966

Mr. Jack Bryant
Branch President
Phillips County Branch, NAACP
304 Arkansas Street
Helena, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Bryant:

Enclosed are the following: a) Copy of our letter of transmittal to the Phillips National Bank, Helena, Arkansas, b) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reports.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

May 31, 1966

Phillips National Bank
Helena, Arkansas

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $350.00 to be deposited to the account of the Phillips National Bank, Helena, Arkansas.

Also enclosed are deposit slips and account card.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

cc: Mr. Jack Bryant

June 3, 1966

Mr. Jack Bryant
President
Phillips County Branch, NAACP
304 Arkansas Street
Helena, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Bryant:

In his letter of May 24, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and <u>not by estimate</u>.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms may also be uded by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program began May 30, we will need reports from you on June 13, June 27, and July 11.

In addition, we will need two narrative reports from you -- one on June 30 and another on July 15, after your program has been completed. These longer reports should

describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Please do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or of importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:nm

June 8, 1966

Mr. Jack Bryant
Branch President
Phillips County Branch, NAACP
304 Arkansas Street
Helena, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Bryant:

Enclosed are the following: a) a copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited in your account, b) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

June 8, 1966

Mr. Jack Bryant
Branch President
Phillips County Branch, NAACP
304 Arkansas Street
Helena, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Bryant:

Enclosed are the following: a) a copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited in your account, b) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

June 8, 1966

Phillips National Bank
Helena, Arkansas

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $181.00 to be deposited to the account of the Phillips County Branch, NAACP, Helena, Arkansas.

Also enclosed is deposit slip

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

cc: Mr. Jack Bryant

June 15, 1966

Mr. Jack Bryant
Branch President
Phillips County Branch, NAACP
3-4 Arkansas Street
Helena, Arkansas:

Dear Mr. Bryant:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited to your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

June 15, 1966

Phillips National Bank
Helena, Arkansas

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $125.00 to be deposited to the account of the Voter Registration and Citizenship Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Jack Bryant

66-52

June 21, 1966

Mr. Jack Bryant
Branch President
Phillips County Branch, NAACP
304 Arkansas Street
Helena, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Bryant:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited to your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

June 21, 1966

Phillips National Bank
Helena, Arkansas

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $156.00 to be deposited to the account of the Voter Registration and Citizenship Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Jack Bryant

June 29, 1966

Mr. Jack Bryant
Branch President
Phillips County Branch, NAACP
304 Arkansas Street
Helena, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Bryant:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

June 29, 1966

Phillips National Bank
Helena, Arkansas

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $188.00 to be deposited to the account of the Voter Registration and Citizenship Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Jack Bryant

OFFICE USE ONLY

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

~~WALTER A. BRAKER~~, Project Director

PHILLIPS COUNTY BRANCH NAACP

VEP 66-52 Report due Tuesday of each

~~May 23 to July 9, 1966~~ ~~6 Weeks~~

May 30 until July 8, 1966 6 Weeks

Director @ $50 per week	$300.00	
~~XXXXXXXXXXX~~ (50 Task Force Workers @ $15 per week	450.00	
Transportation	250.00	
		$1,000.00

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CC: W.C. PATTON

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August 25, 1966

PHILLIPS COUNTY N.A.A.C.P. BRANCH
304 ARKANSAS STREET
HELENA, ARKANSAS
Hi 4-3127

Dear Mr. ~~Veiron~~ Vernon E. Jordan,

I am writing you in regard to our VOTER REGISTRATION AND CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION PROJECT.

Due to the fact that election for our Governor race with Jim Johnson and Mr. Rockerfeller, we would like very much to have VOTER REGISTRATION AND CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION PROJECT reinstated because of the election that's coming up. And this EDUCATION PROJECT help so very much.

We do need the VOTER REGISTRATION AND CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION PROJECT. And we can use our same staff. Let me here from you soon.

Yours truly,
Mrs. Amanda Bryant
Mrs. Amanda Bryant
Director

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November 21, 1966

Project Proposal

Mrs. Jack Bryant
Phillips County Branch, NAACP
304 Ark Street
Helena, Arkansas

Dear Mrs. Bryant:

Thank you so much for the clippings on Arkansas' general election, and the two cards, that you sent us. It was very thoughtful of you to send them. We plan to make good use of them in our post-election analysis.

We will be in touch with you in the near future about our program plans for Arkansas.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

Phillips Co. NAACP Branch
304 Ark Street
Helena Arkansas.

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Mr. Vernon E. Jordan Jr.
I am sending you the
Work of Phillips County the
Clippen from our News
Papper. Thanks for the
Voter Registration in the South
Summer, 1966. here is some cards.
Oyes. do you have any more
Work for us. if so let us
Know. Yours Truely
Mr. & Mrs Jack Bryant

January 30, 1967

Phillips National Bank
Helena, Arkansas

Gentlemen:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your monthly statement of the Voter Registration and Citizenship Education Project account for the period ending January 23.

Enclosed is a check drawn on this account from Voiture Locale 1365 in the amount of $16.00. Enclosed are zerox copies of the same. Please advise us as to when the necessary adjustments will be made.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

PHILLIPS NATIONAL BANK

Helena, Arkansas

Helen Whitworth
[redacted]
ASSISTANT CASHIER

February 1, 1967

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Mr. Thaddeus Olive, Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

With reference to your letter of January 30, 1967, I wish to advise that we have today credited your account in the amount of $16.00. This deposit is described on the enclosed duplicate copy of deposit slip.

Since this amount has been credited to your account, we would appreciate it very much if you would return the original check to us for our files.

Yours very truly,

Mrs Helen Whitworth

Assistant Cashier

HHW/jb
Enc.

3 February 1967

Mrs. Helen Whitworth
Assistant Cashier
Phillips National Bank
Helena, Arkansas

Dear Mrs. Whitworth:

Enclosed is the original check drawn on our account. Thank you for the very expedious manner in which this matter was handled.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO: pc
Encls.

Southern [illegible], Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. [illegible] A 30303
522-[illegible]

PAUL ANTHONY
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

October 10, 1967

Mrs. Jack Bryant
304 Ark Street
Helena, Arkansas

Dear Mrs. Bryant:

In 1966, the Voter Education Project made a grant to Phillips County Branch, NAACP 304 Ark Street, Helena, Arkansas.

In view of the fact that this account is inactive, it becomes necessary for us to close out this account. Our records indicate that you have a balance in the bank, Phillips National Bank, in the amount of $ 49.96. Please return said balance ($ 49.96) to the Voter Education Project immediately.

If we can be of further service to you in getting this matter cleared up, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm

cc: W. C. Patton

All Public School Officials are Invited

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there will be a

Phillips County Mass Meeting

MAY 29, 1966 2:30 P. M.

at the

LAKE VIEW HI SCHOOL

the main speaker will be

Mr. John Spence

UNITED STATES COMMISSIONER ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Come and hear the New Guidelines. Everyone is invited.

SPONSORED BY THE PHILLIPS CO. BRANCH OF THE NAACP

MR. JACK BRYANT, PRESIDENT

from the desk of

JAMES B. HIBBEN

Dear Moreland —

Mr. Moore seemed to be impressed with the possibility of a voter education project for Ft. Lauderdale.

I believe it is vitally necessary if the Negro community is going to make an impression on city government. For this reason I believe the program needs to be carefully put together — with a competent person to organize it, give it initial direction.

Can SRC provide a "coordinator" to put the project in motion? Mr. Moore seemed to think not, pointing out that your staff is limited. If not SRC, could SLCC or SBCC assign someone? An outsider, working with a local group, could command a better response from the Negro community — similar to the response you were able to

from the desk of

JAMES B. HIBBEN

create in connection with planning.

Time is short. The cut-off date on registration is Jan 13. If you started Jan 9 you would only have five days to conduct a registration drive. My opinion is that a five day registration effort will add only a few voters to the polling lists. Then, the main thrust has to be a get-out-the-vote campaign to produce a maximum showing from the 6600 registered voters in the Vego community.

But the key, in my opinion, is the person who will launch the program. Please let me know what you decide.

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FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA PHONE: 523-3903

DECEMBER 29, 1966

APPLICATION TO SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC., ATLANTA, GEORGIA FOR GRANT FOR VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

are any Negro one or more to be?

INTRODUCTION:

ON FEBRUARY 14, 1967, THE CITY OF FT. LAUDERDALE WILL HOLD A PRIMARY ELECTION FOR ITS LOCAL GOVERNING BODY, A FIVE MEMBER CITY COMMISSION. FROM THE TEN CANDICATES RECEIVING THE LARGEST VOTE THE RUN-OFF ELECTION WILL BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 28. PAST EXPERIENCE WITH LOCAL CITY ELECTIONS HAS REVEALED THAT LESS THAT 15% OF THE CITY'S REGISTERED NEGRO VOTERS, APPROXIMATELY 6,600, HAVE PARTICIPATED. CITY-WIDE PARTICIPATION HAS BEEN EQUALLY POOR; APPROXIMATELY 23% OF THE VOTERS TOOK PART IN THE 1965 CITY COMMISSION ELECTION. THE CITY'S NEGRO COMMUNITY OCCUPIES ABOUT 1 1/2 TO 2 SQUARE MILES OF THE 31 SQUARE MILES OF THE CITY AND PROVIDES ABOUT 12% OF THE CITY'S REGISTERED VOTERS. IT IS BELIEVED THAT MUCH OF THE VOTER APATHY IN THE NEGRO COMMUNITY IS TRACEABLE TO THE BELIEF THAT "MY VOTE DOESN'T COUNT" PLUS "WHY SHOULD I VOTE - NOTHING WILL CHANGE."

PURPOSE OF VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT:

THE PRIMARY PURPOSE IS TO BRING ABOUT GREATER INTEREST IN COMMUNITY AFFAIRS. BY STIMULATING INTEREST AND PARTICIPATION IN THE ELECTION PROCESS IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE NEGRO COMMUNITY WILL BECOME AWARE OF COMMUNITY NEEDS AND GOALS, AND THEREBY BECOME EFFECTIVE IN STIMULATING A VARIETY OF COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS. How?

TYPE OF ELECTION

A COMPLETELY LOCAL ELECTION, BECAUSE OF ITS IDENTIFICATION WITH LOCAL CONCERNS, SHOULD COMMAND EXTENSIVE CITIZEN INTEREST. INSTEAD, LOCAL ELECTIONS HAVE FAILED TO ATTRACT VOTERS, ESPECIALLY NEGRO VOTERS, AND, MORE PARTICULARLY, THOSE OF LOWER INCOME. why THE TWO-STEP ELECTION PROCESS, A PRIMARY ELECTION, FOLLOWED BY A RUN-OFF TWO WEEKS LATER, IS ONE THAT ALL LOCAL CITIZENS SHOULD FIND OF THE UTMOST IMPORTANCE. THE EFFORT THAT WILL BE MADE, THEN, IS TO INSPIRE THE CITIZENS OF THE NEGRO COMMUNITY TO RECOGNIZE THAT A DUTY EXISTS TO TAKE PART IN BOTH PHASES, AND TO TAKE PART IN THE REFERENDUM QUESTION THAT WILL APPEAR AT THE RUN-OFF ELECTION.

AREA OF PRIMARY CONCERN

THE 1 1/2 TO 2 SQUARE MILES OF THE CITY'S NEGRO COMMUNITY IS AN AREA OF SUBSTANTIAL PHYSICAL AND SOCIAL PROBLEMS. THE AREA NEEDS A VARIETY OF PROGRAMS TO MAKE IT A VIABLE COMMUNITY. REBUILDING AND UPGRADING THRU UBRAN RENEWAL, MODERN SANITARY AND DRAINAGE FACILITIES, JOB TRAINING, AND JOB PLACEMENT EFFORTS - THESE ARE SOME OF THE NEEDS AND GOALS THAT THE INDIGENOUS GROUPS RECOGNIZE. FUNDAMENTAL, HOWEVER, IS A CITIZENRY PREPARED TO TAKE PART IN REACHING TOWARD THESE GOALS.

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ISSUES

IT IS EXPECTED THAT ONE OR MORE NEGRO RESIDENTS OF THE AFFECTED AREA WILL OFFER THEMSELVES FOR ELECTION. CERTAIN GROUPS ARE ALREADY STIMULATING DISCUSSION ALONG THIS LINE AND OFFERING ENCOURAGEMENT TO POTENTIAL CANDIDATES. THESE GROUPS ARE INDIGENOUS TO THE AREA, AND, WE BELIEVE, WITHOUT SPECIFIC PARTY AFFILIATION. THE PROSPECT OF NEGRO CANDICACY, IT IS BELIEVED, SHOULD CRYSTALLIZE INTEREST AND STIMULATE COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION.

AT THE FEBRUARY 28 RUN-OFF ELECTION URBAN RENEWAL FINANCING WILL BE AN IMPORTANT ISSUE. VOTERS WILL BE ASKED SOLELY WHETHER FINANCING SHOULD BE FEDERAL OR LOCAL. LOCAL FINANCING IS IMPOSSIBLE, AT PRESENT, BECAUSE OF BOTH LEGAL AND PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS, SO THE ONLY REAL ISSUE PRESENTED TO THE VOTER IS WILL THERE OR WILL THERE NOT BE URBAN RENEWAL IN THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE. THIS ISSUE SHOULD CREATE CONSIDERABLE INTEREST, AND, BECAUSE THE RESULT IS NOT BINDING LEGALLY ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, THE EFFECT OF A LARGE TURN-OUT FROM THE AFFECTED AREA, INCLUDING THE GENERAL NEGRO COMMUNITY, SHOULD BE CONSIDERABLE.

IT SHOULD BE NOTED HERE THAT THE LOCAL NAACP HAS, FOR SOME TIME, BEEN WORKING IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL ON THE FT. LAUDERDALE URBAN RENEWAL PROJECT AND HAS HAD THE ADVANTAGE OF ADVICE AND COUNCIL FROM MR. MORELAND GRIFFITH SMITH, DIRECTOR, URBAN PLANNING PROJECT.

TIME

THE PROJECT WOULD START JANUARY 7 AND TERMINATE FEBRUARY 28.

SCOPE OF PROGRAM

THE MAIN OBJECTIVE IS CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION TO REACH PEOPLE WHO ARE INDIFFERENT TO THE LOCAL ELECTION PROCESS AND BRING ABOUT THEIR FULL PARTICIPATION. OF NECESSITY, THE PROGRAM WILL FOCUS ON THE NEGRO COMMUNITY. A THEME WILL BE DEVELOPED, SUCH AS: "VOTE.....AND VOTE AGAIN. HELP YOUR COMMUNITY." TWENTY (20) FIELD REPRESENTATIVES WILL DIRECTLY TALK WITH EACH OF THE 6600 REGISTERED VOTERS. CONCURRENTLY, A REGISTRATION CAMPAIGN WILL BE OPEN FOR 7 OR 14 DAYS, DEPENDING ON THE CITY COMMISSION DECISION. THE LAW ALLOWS THE REGISTRATION BOOKS TO BE OPEN AN ADDITIONAL WEEK AT THE OPTION OF THE CURRENT CITY COMMISSION. CONTACTS WITH A VOTER WILL ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE: IF HE INTENDS TO VOTE ON FEBRUARY 14 AND 28; IF NOT - WHY NOT; IF HE INTENDS TO VOTE - WHAT TIME; DOES HE NEED TRANSPORTATION - AND WILL HE WORK TO GET HIS NEIGHBORS TO VOTE? EACH VOTER WILL BE FAMILIAR WITH HIS POLLING PLACE.

THE 20 FIELD REPRESENTATIVES WILL WORK UNDER THE DIRECTION OF A DIRECTOR, AND ASSISTANT DIRECTOR. IF POSSIBLE, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL ASSIGN A SPECIALIST WHO CAN WORK WITH LOCAL PERSONNEL.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL - VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT APPLICATION

COORDINATION WITH LOCAL GROUPS WILL BE DEVELOPED WITH MAXIMUM PARTICIPATION BY VOLUNTEER WORKERS. NON-PARTISAN CHARACTERISTIC OF THE PROJECT WILL BE STRESSED.

ON ELECTION DAY APPROXIMATELY TEN VEHICLES WILL BE PROVIDED TO ASSIST IN TRANSPORTING VOTERS (TEN VEHICLES EACH ON PRIMARY AND RUN-OFF DAYS)

THE SERVICES OF A PART TIME ACCOUNTANT WILL BE RETAINED TO REGULATE THE DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS.

THE NAACP OF FT. LAUDERDALE IS THE APPLICANT AGENCY FOR THIS PROJECT.

INDIVIDUALS WHO OFFER THEMSELVES AS CANDIDATES WILL NOT WORK WITH THE PROJECT.

INDIVIDUALS KNOWN TO MR. MORELAND GRIFFITH SMITH WHO WILL BE DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN THE PROJECT INCLUDE: REV. SAMUEL W. GEORGE, ALCEE HASTINGS, ESQ., REV. THEODORE JONES, DONALD R. HALLOCK.

BUDGET

DIRECTOR @ $60 PER WEEK	$480	
ASST. DIRECTOR @ $50 PER WEEK	400	
FIELD REPRESENTATIVES (5 @ $50 PER WEEK) (REGISTRATION 14 DAYS)	500	
FIELD REPRESENTATIVES (20 @ $50 PER WEEK) (VOTER EDUCATION 6 1/2 WEEKS)	6500	
FINANCE OFFICER, PART TIME	400	
SALARIED PERSONNEL		$8,280
MISCELLANEOUS		
SUPPLIES	500	
VEHICLE RENTAL	800	
OFFICE & TELEPHONE	500	
TOTAL		1,800
TOTAL AMOUNT REQUESTED		$10,080

WE WILL APPRECIATE YOUR EARLY DECISION WITH RESPECT TO THIS APPLICATION BECAUSE OF THE OBVIOUS TIME DEADLINES INVOLVED, AND WILL CERTAINLY BE PLEASED TO SUPPLY FURTHER INFORMATION UPON REQUEST.

SINCERELY YOURS,
Samuel W. George
SAMUEL W. GEORGE
PRESIDENT

CC: MR. MORELAND GRIFFITH SMITH

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January 6, 1967

Mr. Samuel W. George
President
Fort LauderdaleBBBanch, NAACP
P. O. Box 8422
Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Dear Mr. George:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Fort Lauderdale Branch, NAACP, for a grant to conduct a program of voter education and citizenship education in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,500.00 for a seven week period to run from January 11 to March 1, 1967.

We are limiting the grant to seven weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary @ $50.00 per week	$ 350.00
b)	Task Force Workers (10) @$ 15.00 per week	1,050.00
c)	Transportation	750.00
d)	Office Supplies	75.00
e)	Telephone	125.00
f)	Office Rent	150.00
		$ 2,500.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to the VEP. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and your officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit monthly narrative reports detailing your activities. These reports should set forth the following: a) areas visited, b) persons consulted, c) meetings held, d) problems encountered, and any other information which will contribute to a clear understanding of voter programs in the areas covered by you.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

Summer Rioting Blamed

By PAT MANGAN
Of Our Broward Bureau

The city's shortage of police patrolmen is "desperate" Chief J. Lester Holt said Tuesday.

The department is 30 patrolmen short of the number authorized and does not have enough to put all available police cars on the road, Holt said. Among those who do apply, there are fewer men of high caliber, Holt said.

"The situation should be of concern," the chief said.

Low salaries, frequently cited as a deterrent to recruitment, "don't have much to do with it any more," Holt said.

A policemen's job has become unattractive because young men "have seen and heard to much about what's happened to law enforcement," he believes.

Sticks, stones and molotov cocktails" discourage more potential patrolmen than the money, he feels.

Fort Lauderdale patrolmen start at $429.54 monthly and get $548.71 after two-and-a-half years.

Fifty-four men applied for police jobs prior to last summer's disturbances in Pompano Beach and Fort Lauderdale's sunland park. Only 30 turned up for the examination which followed the trouble.

Two who changed their minds telephoned to say it was because of the disturbances, Holt said.

The department does not want to lower the standards it has set for police officers, Holt said.

"We don't need just warm bodies on the street, they don't do you any good," the chief said.

In addition to difficulties with recruitment, several experienced officers recently have left for better paying jobs.

"It's getting desperate and that's for sure," Holt said. "The commission gave us money for more patrolmen, but we can't hire them."

The eligibility list established after the last examination has been exhausted. Another examination is scheduled about mid-February, according to personnel technician Jeff Crawford. The written, physical and oral examinations will be scheduled within a three-day period to encourage applicants from out of town to take them, he said.

"We used to get 200 out for the exams. The last time we had about a dozen. The money and benefits are better, but there are fewer applicants," he said.

It's hard to impress young men with the advantages of a pension program, Holt said.

'Yes Or No' Renewal Vote Set By City

By BOB WORLEY
(Staff Writer)

Forces seeking a vote on whether or not there is to be any urban renewal in the near northwest won a round today.

That question will be added to the referendum scheduled Feb. 28, city commission agreed today.

A resolution stating the specific question is to be adopted at a special commission meeting, tentatively set for Friday morning.

Commissioner Fred E. Welker moved for the inclusion of the question on whether or not there should be any urban renewal after hearing pleas it be placed on the ballot by a Democrat commission candidate and three Republican party workers.

GUIDELINE

Welker said responsibility for the decisions on urban renewal would still rest with the new commission. But he stressed the referendum will serve as a guide for the commission decision.

The original question, whether federal or local tax money should be used for renewal, will remain on the ballot.

Charles D. Bloom, Democrat candidate for commission, said his idea of a referendum "is you can either accept or reject."

Bloom rapped giving voters only a choice between methods of finance and said they should have a chance to either accept or reject the renewal project.

Lyman Crawford Brown, Mrs. Mary Bayuck and William Poulos, all GOP officials of Precinct 19, voiced similar opinions that the fund choice was insufficient.

Poulos said many people fear a choice of local money means a tax raise and, therefore, would only vote for federal funds.

Mayor Edmund R. Burry took issue with Poulos over the inference that local financing would mean a tax raise.

Commissioner Harrison L. Friese said "We're using our money right now," to which Bayuck replied "If you are already using local money, then why are you asking the voters?"

It was explained that the local money has been spent in code compliance and planning and not actually for renewal.

Welker said he believed objections to the fund choice could be overcome by adding a question of whether or not renewal is desired. UR Agency Director James Hibben injected the purpose of the public hearing in October was to give the public a chance to express whether or not it wanted renewal.

Hibben also said he felt the additional question on whether or not renewal is desired indicated abdication of responsibility by the commissioners which brought Welker's reply that the responsibility would still rest with the commission.

1. Do you have precinct, ward or block organization?
What are the possibilities?

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2. The role of social clubs, established leadership, barbershops etc.

3. Committees Needed

✓ a) Blockwalkers
door to door canvassing

✓ b) Transportation — funeral homes — cars, church buses, [school buses]

✓ c) [Poll Watchers]
Polling place on election day.

✓ d) Telephone Committee
Follow-ups — use persons who want to work but cannot leave home.

e) [Public Relations] — Mass Meeting prior to election

✓ f) Speakers Bureau.
Use people who tell "your story" well, someone who can stir the people into action

g. Leaflet Committee

Catchy ideas to make people respond to local issues, and the importance of voting

h. Church Committee

i. Babysitters - Mainly on election day. students can be used.

j. Soundtrucks

January 9, 1966

Mr. Samuel W. George
President
Fort Lauderdale Branch, NAACP
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Fort Lauderdale, Florida

RE: VEP 7-2

Dear Mr. George:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your registration period will be limited, we will need reports only for the period in which registration activities have been conducted.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you on February 6 and again on March 6, after your program has been completed. These longer reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers, and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Since Citizenship Education is a major part of your project, these activities also should be described in detail. The reports should state the number of meetings held, the number of people contacted, the materials used, problems encountered, etc.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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January 25, 1967

Mr. Thad Olive
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30310

Dear Thad:

Thanks loads for your call regarding the possibility of getting Mr. Bond to come to Fort Lauderdale. We are still hopeful that you might be able to speak to him about the matter.

Enclosed please find a copy of the statement we are using on Urban Renewal. Also, I am herewith enclosing the Questionnaire that we are using in the solicitation of our information. So far the project is moving along smoothly. We expect this week to have bumper stickers (donated) and sort of as another catchy slogan the stickers will say: "Keep the Faith Baby Vote Feb. 14 and Feb. 28".

Would you please relate to Mr. Smith that I am certain that if the type article could be done in the Wall Street Journal that it would be of extreme benefit to the total movement here in Fort Lauderdale. Aside from mobilizing some of the forces from the ivory towers it is likely that this type of substantial journalism might be of considerable influence to our local elected officials.

Once again we do thank you for all of your assistance. Looking forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

Alcee L. Hastings

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Enclosures

January 27, 1967

Mr. Alcee L. Hastings
Medical Towers Building
Suite 305
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Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33316

Dear Al:

This brief note is to thank you for the time given me last week. Our meeting, I hope was informative. Please convey my best wishes to George, Jim, Reverend George, Gordon, and members of your staff.

Enclosed is a revised draft of the Urban Renewal Statement. Moreland and Susan made this suggestion. I have been unable to contact Julian. Therefore, I suggest that you make plans to use someone else. Another item ofrbad news. Concerning the matter about the article in the Wall Street Journal, our contact doesn't think well of the idea.

May you continue to enjoy success in this and future efforts, and if we can be of further assistance, please let us know.

Yours in the bond,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant

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February 10, 1967

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Thad:

I am sorry for the brevity, but things are rather topsy-turvy here. Please find enclosed financial report bearing expenditures from January 31 to February 10.

Our first election day is Tuesday, so wish us luck.

Sincerely,

Alcee L. Hastings

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Mr. Thaddeus Olive
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Dear Thad:

Al has ask me to submit the financial report for the period ending February 9, 1967 for the Voter's Education Project of the Fort Lauderdale NAACP.

We have enclosed a voucher for $21. 00 for stamped envelopes which is covered by check #17. However, we are not at this time able to send vouchers for checks # 28, 38, 59 and 61. We will submit these to you as soon as possible.

Our present bank balance approximates $130. 00 and we will have extraordinary expenditures Tuesday, February 14, and will appreciate you sending us additional funds. Rush, Rush, Rush!

Best wishes,

Don Hallock

Don Hallock
Member, Voter Education Project Committee

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February 17, 1967

Mr. Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30310

Dear Thad:

Please find enclosed a copy of our financial report for the week ending February 15. Also, I am enclosing a newspaper article that appeared in the February 17 Miami Herald. Contrary to the news article, our turnout was not as bad as in previous years. As a matter of fact, 1,840 was the highest turnout in primary elections in this city. I am not unhappy at all at the outcome and as a matter of fact the morale of the task force workers has been lifted considerably.

I am not very optimistic about the urban renewal, but of course our big push now is to educate the voters between now and February 28 about the issues regarding urban renewal. We have four classes of 50 persons each scheduled for "voter training". If this comes off, we would consider it a major accomplishment. The people have significantly strong interest in this sort of thing.

Also, George and myself have filed for the House of Representatives in our special election. The date of that election is February 28, which is the same for the election date of the City of Fort Lauderdale. We are hoping that our being in the arena might attract voters as well as stimulate them to exercise their franchise.

Please tell Vernon that we are coming along well and that I look forward to seeing all of you in Atlanta on March 10. See if you can arrange a conference at that time and if I may I will bring with me our complete narrative breakdown and give a vocal account of the entire Voter Education Project. Thanks, Thad.

Sincerely,

Al

Al Hastings

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January 12, 1967

Mr. Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Aide, Voter Project
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Dear Mr. Olive:

Last evening the three-man committee, which is comprised of Rev. Samuel George, President N.A.A.C.P., W. George Allen, President Florida Council on Human Relations, and Donald Hallock, Public Relations Chairman of N.A.A.C.P., had a meeting to get us started on the road of a successful Voter Education Project.

Today we established a bank account and we are herewith enclosing the duplicate card and deposit receipts relative to that account. The $10.00 deposit was a cash deposit to open the account and the money was paid by W. George Allen. Hence, one of our first disbursements will be to reimburse W. George Allen his $10.00.

We look forward to your visit next week and at that time we are certain that we will have the Project in full swing.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Alcee L. Hastings

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Legal Counsel, N.A.A.C.P.

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Mr. Thad Olive
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30310

Dear Thad:

First, let me say thank you for trying to get Mr. Bond for us. Indeed, these matters are not always easy to accomplish. Further, we understand the position of the contact at the Wall Street Journal, and we do appreciate you having considered us for such an article.

Enclosed please find copy of the disbursements made from January 16 through January 31 in the Voter's Education Project. We have established Thursdays as the day for payment for our task force workers. The local Economic Opportunity office has relented in allowing us to use their office as one of our centers. So far it has been successful.

In looking over the enclosed financial sheet, I am cognizant of the fact that we did not include the vouchers, but I am wondering if it is necessary for us to have these vouchers when infact the cancelled checks will be received by your office, but if you desire them, I shall send them to you forthwith.

At the time that you receive this letter we will have completed the contacts in 2 precincts which leaves 4 to be done. We have uncovered a rather interesting experience that I would like to relate to you at this time, that is that our registration lists are dated, in that we are uncovering numerous individuals that have moved from the internal city as much as 5 to 8 years ago. On the other hand we have noticed that there are a number of new people living in the various premises that are registered voters, but are not listed on the precinct lists that we have. This is a matter that we intend to take up with our local registrar in an effort to correct it.

All in all we are finding that people are generally receptive, and at this point are aware of the Voter's Education Project's activity.

I understand from Rev. George that W. C. Patton is supposed to visit with us on Thursday of this week. I hope he comes to assist us more so than to criticize-Smiles.

Will send more information as it developes.

Very truly yours,

Alcee L. Hastings

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1) Will City Commsn allow another week for registration? 2 weeks?

2) direct influence on a specific issue?

3) ride to polls?

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The city of Ft. Lauderdale, through some of our "city fathers" has taken one more retrogressive step.

It appears to the N.A.A.C.P. that the plethora of contradictions is unending.

The same city commission that budgeted an urban renewal agency — and ~~that~~ approved the plan formulated by that agency, now tells the voters they need advice on whether we should have Urban Renewal or not. This is the same city commission that approved a referendum question on financing via a mix federal or local funds. This is the same city commission that has repeatedly informed the N.A.A.C.P. that it will not ~~tolerate~~ be threatened into action by any minority. Yet, on tuesday Jan. 17th when confronted by forces heretofore unheard on the subject of UR, this commission in a 3 to 2 vote capitulated.

The question arises: what the hell did we have a public hearing for? Or is the city going to allow all of the political factions to be heard, and then shift with each blowing of a new

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political mind?

Lets be cognizant that tuesdays vote was 3 republicans to two democrats. Come now "politicians" your "principles" are slipping. We sympathize with your reelection plight, but we consider it mockery to continuously confuse the public about Urban Renewal and/or federal funds.

The N.A.A.C.P would recommend to the city a real question for the voters consideration: Do we need federal funds for the completion of I 95, and sanitary sewers for the total city, and for our port authority, and for conservation, and for recreation? In short why not a referendum on whether or not to use any federal funds in this city?

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT (NAACP)

Report of Expenditures

Place: **Jacksonville, Florida** Date of Report: **March 26, 1966**

May - June

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Sallye B. Mathis

APR 4 1966

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Signed: Rutledge A. Pearson
Branch President

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APR 20 1966

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SUBMITTED BY: Sallye B. Mathis

(Mrs.) Sallye B. Mathis, Chairman
Voter Registration-Education Comm. NAACP
1160 Durkee Drive, Jax., Florida

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April 21, 1966

TO: Mr. Vernon Jordan

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE
TWENTY WEST FORTIETH STREET • NEW YORK, N. Y. 10018 • BRyant 9-1400
Please direct reply to:
W. C. Patton, Associate Director
Voter Education
1630 NORTH FOURTH AVENUE
ROOM 407
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA 35203
PHONE 322-0708

JULY 18, 1966

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MEMORANDUM

TO: VERNON JORDAN, ESQUIRE

FROM: LAURA WAITES, SECRETARY TO MR. W. C. PATTON

PLEASE FIND ENCLOSED A SECOND (XERO) COPY OF A PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY THE JACSKONVILLE, FLORDIA BRANCH OF THE NAACP FOR FUNDS TO CONDUCT A VOTER EDUCATION PROGRAM. ALSO ENCLOSED IS A COPY OF THE MEMORANDUM SENT WITH THE FIRST PROPOSAL TO YOUR OFFICE.

WE HOPE THIS PROPOSAL WILL MEET WITH YOUR IMMEDIATE APPROVAL.

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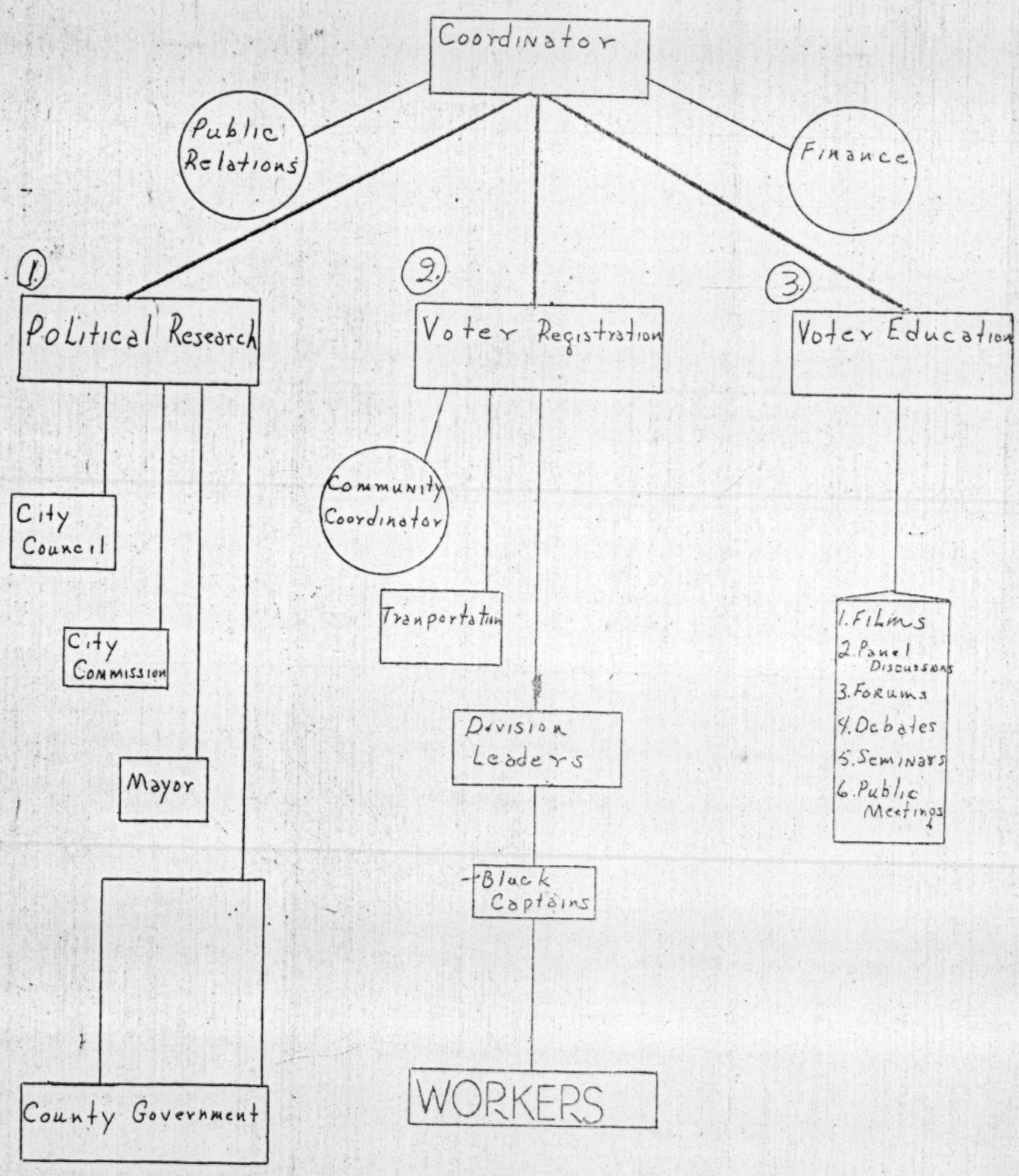
SUMMER VOTER PROJECT



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Submitted by Sallye B. Mathis

1160 Dunbar Dr.
Jacksonville, Florida
32209

MEMO from W. C. Patton

April 21, 1966

TO: Mr. Vernon Jordan

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September 1, 1966

Mrs. Sallye B. Mathis
Chairman
Voter Registration-Education Committee
National Association for the
Advancement of Colored People
1160 Durkee Drive
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mrs. Mathis:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Jacksonville Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter education program in Jacksonville, Florida. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,240.00 for a six week period to run from September 5, to October 14, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary	$50.00 per week	$ 300.00
b)	Secretary	$40.00 per week	240.00
c)	Office Rent		75.00
d)	Office Supplies		125.00
e)	(10) Task Force Workers ($15.00 per week)		900.00
f)	Printing and Postage		50.00
g)	Telephone		50.00
h)	Transportation		500.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Friday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

cc: Messrs., W. C. Patton
Rutledge Pearson

September 2, 1966

Mrs. Sallye B. Mathis
Chairman
Voter Registration Education Committee
National Association for the
Advancement of Colored People
1160 Durkee Drive
Jacksonville, Florida

RE: VEP-66-95

Dear Mrs. Mathis:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and <u>not</u> by estimate.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program begins September 5, we will need reports from you on September 19, October 3, and October 17.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you on October 19, after your program has been completed. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers, and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:nm

September 9, 1966

The Atlantic National Bank of Jacksonville
Jacksonville
Florida

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $746.00 to be deposited to the account of the NAACP Voter Education Project, Jacksonville Branch. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 9, 1966

Mrs. Sallye B. Mathis
Chairman
Voter Registration-Education Committee
National Association for the
Advancement of Colored People
1160 Durkee Drive
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mrs. Mathis:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
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TO/pf
Encls:

The Atlantic National Bank of Jacksonville

JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

J. R. SANDLIN

ASSISTANT VICE-PRESIDENT

September 12, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive, Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

This acknowledges, with thanks, your letter of September 9th, enclosing check for $746.00 and signature card signed by Mrs. Sallye B. Mathis, Director, and Raymond H. Jackson, Treasurer, with which we have opened a new account in the name of NAACP Voter Education Project, Jacksonville Branch, as per attached credit advice, and we have noted our records to the effect that statements are to be mailed to 5 Forsyth Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

We presume that proper resolution or extract from the minutes will be furnished us, covering signature authorization, and we appreciate being favored with this additional business.

Very truly yours,

J. R. Sandlin

Assistant Vice President

JRS:mas
Enclosure

cc: Mrs. Sallye B. Mathis
1160 Durkee Drive
Jacksonville, Florida 32209

cc: Mr. Raymond H. Jackson
2047 West 17th Street
Jacksonville, Florida 32209

September 19, 1966

Mrs. Sallye B. Mathis
Chairman
Voter Registration-Education Committee
NAACP
1160 Durkee Drive
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mrs. Mathis:

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Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

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Sincerely yours,

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TO/pf

September 19, 1966

The Atlantic National Bank of Jacksonville
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Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $$350.00 to be deposited to the account of the NAACP Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 29, 1966

Mr. Sallye B. Mathis
Chairman
Voter Registration-Education Committee
National Association for the
Advancement of Colored People
1160 Durkee Drive
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mrs. Mathis:

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to have your proposal in our files. It sets a high standard for others to attain.

I am well aware of the substantial part you played in preparing this proposal, and I wish to express my deep gratitude for your cooperation.

Friday, October 7, I will be in Jacksonville, Florida, along with Mr. Richard Miles to get better acquainted with you and your project. We look forward to a mutually pleasant and profitable day.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO/pf

cc: Mr. Richard Miles
Mr. W. C. Patton

October 4, 1966

Mrs. Sallye B. Mathis
Chairman
Voter Registration Education Committee
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Advancement of Colored People
1160 Durkee Drive
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mrs. Mathis:

Enclosed are the following:

(a) Copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited to your account,

(b) Copy of letter of transmittal, and

(c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck [redacted] program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosures

October 4, 1966

The Atlantic National Bank
of Jacksonville
Jacksonville, Florida

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $400.00 to be deposited to the account of the NAACP Voter Education Project, Jacksonville Branch, Florida.

Also enclosed is a deposit slip indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosures

October 11, 1966

Mrs. Sallye B. Mathis
Chairman
Voter Registration-Education Committee
NAACP
1160 Durkee Drive
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mrs. Mathis:

This brief note is to thank you for everything during our brief stay in your city. May I congradulate you for the great service you are rendering to your city and community.

Please convey to all members of your staff our sincere thanks.

May you continue to enjoy success in this and future efforts, and if we can be of further service, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 14, 1966

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Chairman
Voter Registration Education Committee
NAACP
1160 Durkee Drive
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TO/pf

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Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
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TO/pf
Encls:

DEPOSIT TO CHECKING ACCOUNT OF

NAME NAACP Voter Education Project (Jax Branch)

ADDRESS 5 Forsyth St., N. W. Atlanta, Ga. 30303

ACCOUNT NO.

THE ATLANTIC NATIONAL BANK OF JACKSONVILLE 63-2/630

THIS DEPOSIT IS SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS SET FORTH ON THE REVERSE SIDE HEREOF.

DATE

LIST CHECKS SEPARATELY	DOLLARS	CENTS
CASH		
CHECKS ON 64-10	400	00
TOTAL	400	00

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

Wiley A. Branton, Project Director

BUDGET REVISION: JACKSONVILLE BRANCH, NAACP

VEP 66-95, **Report due Friday of each week**

6 Week Program September 5, to ~~Oxxxxx~~ October 14, 1966

Director @ $50.00 per week	$300.00	
Secretary @ $40.00 per week	240.00	
Office Rent	75.00	
Office Supplies	125.00	
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cc: W. C. Patton
Rutledge Pearson

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October 18, 1966

Mr. Marvin Wall, Director
Research Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Wall:

As per the request of your letter of September 2, 1966, we are herewith submitting a narrative report of our recent Voter Registration Education Project which was conducted from September 5, 1966 thru October 14, 1966.

The Voter Registration Committee of the Jacksonville Branch NAACP completed plans for its special Voter Education Project to begin September 5th with the following personnel: Alexander Heard, Chairman, Charles Lee, Co-Chairman, A. Laurie Lattimer, Secretary, Raymond H. Jackson, Treasurer, and Sallye B. Mathis, Director. Ten (10) task force workers were appointed. Each task worker was assigned to an area with definite boundaries. All available persons in these blocks were contacted by workers listing those already registered, and encouraging them to vote in the November 8th election. Workers checked cards when allowed, to ascertain that the persons were holding new permanent cards issued January 1966. Workers made appointments with non-registered persons to be picked up when transportation was needed.

At the beginning of the drive, lists were turned in to the office, and routed for transportation workers to pick up. Later, however, it was found that in most instances, when possible, if workers returned for would-be registrants they would, in most instances, keep appointments.

Workers feel that they rendered a great service because of questions they were able to answer. In many cases, persons were ashamed to be "carried" to the court-house to be registered, but went on their own.

The drive was launched with a "kick-off" mass meeting at one of the leading churches. A fiery civil-rights minister gave a stirring message which set the tone for the drive. All ministers were contacted by letter announcing the drive and asking that each would select a voter registration chairman in his church. The chairman called for transportation when needed for members of the congregation, and distributed registration information.

At least twice per week, the daily news carried an article informing the public of pertinent information. A news conference was held on September 14th at 3:00 P. M. on the steps of the County Court-house. At this time, the Director spoke for 2 1/2 minutes giving figures as to the number of Negro Voters lost by the recent purge and the strength of the Negro's present voting power. Twenty workers and Committee Members were also present. Both TV stations, Radio Stations, and Daily News carried this conference and played it up in a big way.

A huge nine by six sign across the building announced the drive and its offer to transport persons free of chare to and from the court-house.

Reporting forms were issued to all workers and daily reports were turned in so that accurate daily reports were kept. Samples of these forms are attached.

September 25, 1966 was "Citizenship Sunday" in the churches thorughout the County. Letters were sent to ministers followed by telephone calls asking that members of the Speakers Bureau of this Branch be permitted to visit churches and make an appeal for persons to register. Fifteen churches were visited. Approximately 2900 heard the appeal.

During the last weeks of the drive, one-hundred ministers received a letter each week asking their support in stressing dates the courthouse would be opened other than the regular days and time. Visits were made to the ministers organizations stressing the need and urgency of their cooperation.

In the regular weekly Branch meetings, and Sunday Meetings, ample time was given to impart necessary information and to get all members involved. Visits were made to clubs, unions, etc., appealing to them to become registered, with all discussions centered on the power of the ballot.

The office of the Supervisor of Registration was opened all day the last two Saturdays and two nights until 9:00 P. M. Registration was heavy and in many instances Negroes registered three to one in comparison with Whites.

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SIGNED:

Mrs. Sallye B. Mathis, Director
Voter Education Registration Project
Jacksonville Branch NAACP

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REGISTRATION REPORT TO
THE VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Name of Project Jax Branch NAACP Voter Education Registration Project

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Area covered by report Jacksonville in Duval County, Florida

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By meetings (give attendance, place) 3,247

Mass Meetings, Visiting Churches, Club Meetings.

Other (specify)

Number refusing to register 225

Reason Don't see the need; too busy; fear

Remarks Response much better than in previous years; more information is sought.

November 15, 1966

Mr. Charles Wilkerson
Citizenship & Education Program
524 Broad Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mr. Wilkerson:

It has been a pleasure and privilege to have you as Director of the Jacksonville Project.

I am well aware of the substantial contribution you are making to the program, and I wish to express my gratitude for your cooperation.

Monday and Tuesday, November 21, and 22, I will be in Jacksonville to get better acquainted with you and your program. We look forward to a mutually pleasant and profitable experience.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
cc: Mrs. Babrara I. Whittaker

October 4, 1966

The Atlantic National Bank
of Jacksonville
Jacksonville, Florida

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $400.00 to be deposited to the account of the NAACP Voter Education Project, Jacksonville Branch, Florida.

Also enclosed is a deposit slip indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

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October 17, 1966

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O.C.

Mrs. Sallye B. Mathis
Chairman
Voter Registration Education Committee
1160 Durkee Drive
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mrs. Mathis:

It has been a pleasure and privilege to have your proposal in our files. May I congradulate you again and the other members of your Branch for a job well done.

Mr. Wall, in his letter of September 2, 1966 mentioned certain reports that are required as you close your program. May I remind you that this report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of letter, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms.

Please do not hesitate to write us again if we can be of further service to you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 17, 1966

The Atlantic National Bank
of Jacksonville
Jacksonville, Florida

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $344.00 to be deposited to the account of the NAACP Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 28, 1966

Mr. J. H. McCormack, Jr.
Vice President
The Atlantic National Bank
of Jacksonville
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mr. McCormack:

Thank you very much for your letter of November 28 in which you asked for a verification of the closed account in n/o "NAACP Voter Education Project-Jacksonville Branch.

This account has been closed because the Project has been terminated. In the Spring, when we commence activity again, we will seek the services of The Atlantic National Bank of Jacksonville.

We appreciate your interest and thank you for writing us.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO/pf
cc: Mr. Raymond H. Jackson

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5 Forsyth Street, NW
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jackson:

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Sincerely,

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Vote List Nears 180,000 As Books Close

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By THATCHER WALT
Journal Staff Writer

Duval County will go into the general election with a total voter registration approaching 180,000, thanks in part to an intensive National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) voter registration drive.

The voter registration books were closed today and final, official registration figures weren't available.

But, unofficially, registration stood at 179,126 at the close of business in the office of Elections Supervisor Robert A. Mallard yesterday. That figure included 646 people who signed up to vote yesterday.

This morning, business was slow, as it has been for the past five weeks, at Mallard's office.

The NAACP drive may have placed a total of 1,300 Negroes on the books since Sept. 5.

Mallard's office said that, since Sept. 1, a total of 1,526 Negroes had registered by 5 p.m. yesterday, all but 150 of them from precincts inside the city limits.

Mrs. O. E. Mathis, chairman of the voter drive, said today that NAACP records showed about 1,300 contacts by field workers through yesterday and "I think we can take credit for at least 1,200."

Transporation was provided by the drive workers for about 1,200, she said, although others contacted "went on their own."

Ten vote workers were in the field today providing transportation for those who wished to register on the last day, she added.

If total registration reached 180,000 by closing time today, it will mean a 10,000 voter increase since the last official count by Mallard in April, but the number will still fall far short of the county's high point of more than 190,000 who were registered for the 1964 general election.

The big drop resulted from a purge of the books several months ago when thousands failed to return their registration cards. Returning the cards was necessary to avoid being purged.

Mallard's latest over-all registration statistics today gives a reply of the oft-repeated story that white Duval Countians are making an exodus to the suburbs.

During September and the first seven days of October, 2,608 persons registered from county precincts while 2,293 signed up from city precincts.

The numbers were close, but apparently only because of the NAACP drive among Negroes living inside the city.

City registrations show 746 new Negro voters in September against 392 whites. From Oct. 1 till Oct. 7, 630 Negroes and 525 whites from the city registered.

Of the county's 2,608 new registrations, only 150 were by Negro voters.

At the start of the NAACP drive, Mrs. Mathis said that about 40 per cent of the registered voters inside the city are Negro and that the ratio could be raised to 46 per cent by an intensive drive.

Taking yesterday's unofficial figures and adding them to April's last official breakdown the percentage comes out still close to 40 per cent.

But the signs of exodus or the reflections of new arrivals preferring suburb to city are unmistakable.

Mallard gave these figures: 1945, city total registration 55,755, with 6,574 Negroes, and county registration, 12,531, with 184 Negroes; 1955, city total 89,635 with 24,438 Negro, and county total 46,637 with 2,403 Negro registrations; and last official figures of 1966, city total, 69,329 with 26,935; county total, 101,537, of whom 9,542 are Negroes.

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October 12, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsythe Street, N.W.
Atlanta Georgia

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OCT 13 1966

Dear Mr. Olive:

Thanks for deposit of $400.00 received this week.

Enclosed please find report of checks written last week. Checks from # 95 to 117 haven't been issued, waiting for next deposit.

Clipping tells a part of the story. Thanks for your interest.

Yours truly
J. B. Mathis

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October 18, 1966

Mr. Marvin Wall, Director
Research Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Wall:

As per the request of your letter of September 2, 1966, we are herewith submitting a narrative report of our recent Voter Registration Education Project which was conducted from September 5, 1966 thru October 14, 1966.

The Voter Registration Committee of the Jacksonville Branch NAACP completed plans for its special Voter Education Project to begin September 5th with the following personnel; Alexander Heard, Chairman, Charles Lee, Co-Chairman, A. Laurie Lattimer, Secretary, Raymond H. Jackson, Treasurer, and Sallye B. Mathis, Director. Ten (10) task force workers were appointed. Each task worker was assigned to an area with definite boundaries. All available persons in these blocks were contacted by workers listing those already registered, and encouraging them to vote in the November 8th election. Workers checked cards when allowed, to ascertain that the persons were holding new permanent cards issued January 1966. Workers made appointments with non-registered persons to be picked up when transportation was needed.

At the beginning of the drive, lists were turned in to the office, and routed for transportation workers to pick up. Later, however, it was found that in most instances, when possible, if workers returned for would-be registrants they would, in most instances, keep appointments.

Workers feel that they rendered a great service because of questions they were able to answer. In many cases, persons were ashamed to be "carried" to the court-house to be registered, but went on their own.

The drive was launched with a "kick-off" mass meeting at one of the leading churches. A fiery civil-rights minister gave a stirring message which set the tone for the drive. All ministers were contacted by letter announcing the drive and asking that each would select a voter registration chairman in his church. The chairman called for transportation when needed for members of the congregation, and distributed registration information.

At least twice per week, the daily news carried an article informing the public of pertinent information. A news conference was held on September 14th at 3:00 P. M. on the steps of the County Court-house. At this time, the Director spoke for 2 1/2 minutes giving figures as to the number of Negro Voters lost by the recent purge and the strength of the Negro's present voting power. Twenty workers and Committee Members were also present. Both TV stations, Radio Stations, and Daily News carried this conference and played it up in a big way.

A huge nine by six sign across the building announced the drive and its offer to transport persons free of chare to and from the court-house.

Reporting forms were issued to all workers and daily reports were turned in so that accurate daily reports were kept. Samples of these forms are attached.

September 25, 1966 was "Citizenship Sunday" in the churches thorughout the County. Letters were sent to ministers followed by telephone calls asking that members of the Speakers Bureau of this Branch be permitted to visit churches and make an appeal for persons to register. Fifteen churches were visited. Approximately 2900 heard the appeal.

During the last weeks of the drive, one-hundred ministers received a letter each week asking their support in stressing dates the courthouse would be opened other than the regular days and time. Visits were made to the ministers organizations stressing the need and urgency of their cooperation.

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Jacksonville Branch NAACP

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Remarks Response much better than in previous years; more information is sought.

YOUR ONE VOTE COUNTS

Who Can Register?

1. United States Citizen, age 21 or over
   resident of Florida for one (1) year
   resident of Duval County for six (6) months.

How to Register to Vote:

Go in person to the Supervisor of Registration Office in the Duval County Court House any week-day from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Registrant must give the following information: name, sex, party affiliation, occupation, date of birth, age, color, place of birth, proof of naturalization, free holder status, whether or not he can write his name and mark his own ballot, and whether or not he has been convicted of a felony.

Registration books are closed 30 days before an election and five days after an election. Voters vote in the precinct in which they live. If a voter moves from one precinct to another he should notify the Supervisor of Registration by mail or in person. Change of name or party must be done in person.

Books will close October 8, 1966.
Register Now!

JACKSONVILLE BRANCH NAACP

SUMMER VOTER EDUCATION-REGISTRATION PROJECT

YOUR ONE VOTE COUNTS

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

September 5th - October 8th

REGISTER NOW!! VOTE - NOVEMBER 8th

TO ALL NON-REGISTERED NEGRO CITIZENS:

The Registration books will close October 8th, thrity days before the "General Election". Eight thousand Negro Voters were dropped in January 1966, YOU may be one. Check YOUR card-

Call for free transportation -

Any week day - 8:30 - 5:30 P. M.

Saturdays - October 1st & 8th - 8:30 - 5:00 P. M.

Tuesdays - October 4th & Thursday, October 6th - 8:30 - 9:00 P. M.

"YOUR ONE VOTE COUNTS"

JACKSONVILLE BRANCH NAACP
VOTER EDUCATION REGISTRATION PROJECT

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A PERSONAL MESSAGE TO EVERY NEGRO CITIZEN

In 1965 through the efforts of the NAACP, Jacksonville Branch, and other organizations the Negro voting power reached its greatest total in the history of Duval County - 45,866.

January 1966 many citizens failed to return their cards to the Supervisor of Registration, therefore, they were dropped from the rolls. This means that they aren't registered.

As of August 1966 this is the record of REGISTERED NEGRO VOTERS:

City - 27, 191

County - 9,643

An all low total of 36,834.

Books will close October 8, 1966.

REGISTER NOW! VOTE NOVEMBER 8, 1966

JACKSONVILLE BRANCH NAACP
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DAILY REPORT FORM

WORKER'S NAME _____

NUMBER APPROACHED _____

NUMBER HOUSES VISITED _____

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VOTER EDUCATION REGISTRATION PROJECT
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October 5, 1966

Dear Minister:

Again the Voter Registration Education Committee of the Jacksonville Branch NAACP reminds you that the books will close October 8, 1966, thirty days before the general election, November 8, 1966.

The Courthouse will be open Saturday, October 8th from 8:30 A. M. until 5:00 P. M. and Thursday, October 6th until 9:00 P. M. to accomodate persons who work. Many persons' cards expired January 1966 and they need a new one.

There will be 55 candidates on the ballot and thirteen amendments. Sample ballots can be secured from the Office of Supervisor of Registration in the County Courthouse. You can help members of your congregation by studying the ballot with them.

There is a voting machine in the basement of Grant Memorial A. M. E. church and also one in the lobby of the courthouse. Persons might go in and practice using the machine in preparation for voting November 8th.

Thank you for your cooperation in seeing that all Negro citizens are registered and will vote intelligently on Nov. 8th.

With kindest regards,

Yours truly,

Sailye B Mathis

(Mrs.) Sailye B. Mathis, Chairman
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Jax Branch NAACP

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September ~~October~~ 29, 1966

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For their convenience free transportation is offered. Call 353-7395 any week-day. Days to remember that the books will be open, are Saturday, October 1st and 8th - 8:30 A. M. to 5:00 P. M., Tuesday, October 4th and Thursday, October 6th - 8:30 A. M. to 9:00 P. M.

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Help us to make these services available to every one who needs them.

Yours truly,

Sallye B. Mathis

(Mrs.) Sallye B. Mathis, Chairman
Voter Education Registration Project NAACP

APPROVED: Rutledge H. Pearson, President
State & Local Branches NAACP

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Sincerely,

John Cormack Jr.
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1 July 1967
300 West Main Street
Marks, Mississippi 38646

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Thank you for your letter of June 23 enclosing a deposit slip for the account of the Quitman County VEP with the Citizens Bank and Trust Company of Marks, Mississippi, in the amount of $ 221.05. As Mr. Bill Beardslee may have reported to you following his visit here last Thursday, the members of our Voter Education Project are now all working together in unity and are prepared to give our best efforts to make the last week of voter registration a complete success.

Enclosed please find an accounting of the money owed by the project for the past five weeks with an estimate of our expenditures for the coming week. As you can see from the totals listed, the balance of slightly more than two hundred and twenty dollars in our account at the Citizens Bank is not presently adequate to cover the bills owed. Our board has decided that, so as to avoid causing any disagreements or hard feelings in anyone, no checks will be written until funds are received from Atlanta to cover all amounts owed. We therefore urgently request that you deposit $960 in our account so that the checks may be written as soon as possible.

Mr. Beardslee informed us that we could spend any amount up to but not in excess of our total grant of $1830. He was pleased with the progress we had made in registering voters and that we have been able to spread the 8-week grant over an 11 week period by various economies. According to our figures we still have a $982.60 balance on our grant from you. Should funds in addition to that requested above be needed for transportation we will write again to you concerning the $22.60 which would then be remaining in our account.

We greatly appreciate the aid and assistance which the Southern Regional Council has given our work here in Quitman County. We will file your standard Financial Reporting form (showing check no., etc.) for the amounts listed on the enclosed sheet once we have the funds and can write the checks. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Mr Earnest Thompson

Earnest Thompson, Director
Quitman County Voter Education Project

Quitman County Voter Education Project
Accounting for : 5 weeks May 25 - June 28 (1)**
and 1 week June 29 - July 5 (2)

Salaries		(1)	(2)	TOTAL
Mr. Earnest Thompson, director*		$ 140.00	$ 40.00	$ 180.00
Mr. Willie Morgan, director*		75.00	.00	75.00
Miss Clara Collins, secretary*		87.50	25.00	112.50
Mr. Riley Green, secretary*		37.50	.00	37.50
Mrs. Katie Coleman, clerical-task		90.00	.00	90.00
task workers:				
Mr. William Allen		30.00	45.00	45.00
Mr. Willie Brown		30.00	15.00	45.00
Mr. Jessie Franklin		15.00	15.00	30.00
Mr. Eddie Lee Green		45.00	.00	45.00
Mrs. Lula Lathan		90.00	15.00	105.00
Rev. W.L. Malone		45.00	.00	45.00
Mr. David Miller		15.00	.00	15.00
Mr. J.P. Money		30.00	.00	30.00
Mrs. Emma Saddler		75.00	15.00	90.00
Rev. F. Sykes		30.00	15.00	45.00
Mr. William Staten		15.00	.00	15.00
subtotal		$ 850.00	$ 155.00	$ 1005.00
Office Rent		50.00	10.00	60.00
Telephone (incl. tax)	10.03 to May 19	17.65	-	17.65
	7.62 to June 19			
	17.65			
Transportation ***		65.70	-	65.70
		$ 983.35	$ 165.00	$ 1148.35

Please note:

* - Under an Agreement signed June 29, 1967 with the approval of SRC field director Bill Beardslee the two people who served as Project Directors and the two who served as Project Secretaries for the three weeks June 8-June 28 agreed to share the salaries for those positions on a 50-50 basis. In addition, Mr. Morgan is owed for one week work as a task worker.

**- The first column covers the five week period May 25-June 28, during which time there were no funds in the bank account and no bills or salaries were paid, and also includes $60.00 dueto four Task Workers for the week of May 4 - May 10.

***-The Transportation figure for May 25 - June 28 is not yet complete. Once all bills have been submitted and verified for mileage, the amounts owed during that period will be paid in the last set of checks.

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NUMBER APPROACHED _____

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NAACP SUMMER VOTER PROJECT

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City Commission - Tuesday - 2:30 P. M. -
15th Fl. - City Hall

City Council - 2nd & 4th Tuesday - 7:30 P.M.
15th Fl. - City Hall

County Commission - Monday - 10:00 A. M. -
306 Court House

School Board - Thursday after 1st Monday-
1:00 P. M. - 5th Fl. -
Court House - (many extra
sessions)

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Your One Vote Counts

JACKSONVILLE BRANCH NAACP
VOTER EDUCATION-REGISTRATION PROJECT

1966

DAILY REPORT FORM

DATE _____

WORKER	Number Registered	Number Approached	Number Houses	Number Blocks	Number Refused	Number Req. Transp.
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YOUR ONE VOTE COUNTS

Who Can Register?

1. United States Citizen, age 21 or over, resident of Florida for one (1) year, resident of Duval County for six (6) months.

How to Register to Vote:

Go in person to the Supervisor of Registration Office in the Duval County Court Court-house any week-day from 9:00 A. M. until 5:00 P. M. Registrant must give the following information: name, sex, party affiliation, occupation, date of birth, age, color, place of birth, proof of naturalization, free-holder status, whether or not he can write his name and mark his own ballot, and w hether or not he ha s been convicted of a felony.

Registration books are closed 30 days before an election and five days after an election. Voters vote in the precinct in which they live. If a voter moves from one precinct to another, he should notify the Supervisor of Registration by mail or in person. Change of name or party must be done in person.

Books will close October 8, 1966.
REGISTER NOW!

JACKSONVILLE BRANCH NAACP

SUMMER VOTER EDUCATION-REGISTRATION PROJECT

YOUR ONE VOTE COUNTS

A PERSONAL MESSAGE TO EVERY NEGRO CITIZEN

In 1965 through the efforts of the NAACP, Jacksonville Branch, and other organizations the Negro voting power reached its greatest total in the history of Duval County - 45,866.

In January 1966 many citizens failed to return their cards to the Supervisor of Registration, therefore, they were dropped from the rolls. This means that they aren't registered.

As of August 1966 this is the record of REGISTERED NEGRO VOTERS:

City - 27,191

County - 9,643

An all low total of 36,834.

Books will close October 8, 1966

REGISTER NOW! VOTE NOVEMBER 8, 1966

JACKSONVILLE BRANCH NAACP
SUMMER VOTER EDUCATION-REGISTRATION PROJECT

YOUR ONE VOTE COUNTS

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JACKSONVILLE BRANCH NAACP
VOTER EDUCATION REGISTRATION PROJECT
1966

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DATE COVERED BY REPORT: FROM _____ TO _____ 19____

AREA COVERED BY REPORT _____ DATE SUBMITTED _____

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OF COLORED PEOPLE

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OPA-LOCKA, FLORIDA
Phone 621-0870

AC-305

Home:
OFFICE - 374-5631

March 2, 1966

Rec'd 3/4/66

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Enclosed you will find a proposal for a grant for a voter education-registration project to be sponsored by our branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. We are aware of the lateness of this request. However, time is of crucial importance as has been noted in the proposal. Within the last two weeks we learned that the registration books will be in our community from March 14-28. Since the elections and issues are of such importance beginning with the primaries in May, we feel as though it is mandatory that we make this attempt to secure assistance. We received the Guidlines for your program just last Saturday.

We are making every effort to secure the cooperation of every organization within our area to insure the effectiveness of our project. The office of the Florida Council of Human Relations has offered to assist us in every way. Mr. August H. VandenBosche, the Executive Director, is a member of our Executive Board and is working with us on our Voter Registration Committee.

We will appreciate any counsel or assistance you can give us.

Cordially yours,

Mrs. George M. Brunt

Mrs. George M. Brunt,
President

To: Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr. , Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsythe St., N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Proposal: Voter-Registration-Education Grant

Submitted by: Opa locka Branch, NAACP
2555 N.W. 159th Street
Opa Loacka, Florida 33054

Introduction: This request for a grant from the Southern Regional Council, Voter Education Project, for a crash program of voter education and registration in the northern section of Dade County, Florida, is necessarily of an emergency nature since the registration books for Dade County will be in our local community at the First Baptist Church of Bunche Park, 15700 N.W. 22nd Avenue, March 14-28. This will provide a convenience of great value for a concentrated voter registration drive. We have just learned of this in the past two weeks. With reapportionment and our most crucial governor's election primary this spring, we are provided with a most unique opportunity in which every new voter registered, trained and voting, will be most essential to a continuation of progress in responsible government in our State.

Kind of Program: In order to stimulate the interest of the citizens of our community in their civic responsibility so that they may be motivated to maintain and participate fully in good government, the program will include training in the mechanics of using voting machines (such machines will be provided by the Superintendant of Elections of Dade County); aquainting voters with the ballots to be used in the primary and general elections of 1966; and providing opportunities for the citizens to meet the candidates and learn about the issues they will face in voting.

Where: The area to be served by the project are the precincts with a heavy Negro concentration in the northern section of Dade County from 119th St. north to the Dade-Broward County line, and from N.W. 27th Avenue east to the Intracoastal Waterway. The precincts in which the project will operate are shown on the accompanying map.

Personnel:

Coordinator: The coordinator will direct the entire program and will train and supervise all the paid and volunteer personnel. He will be responsible for the supervision of the expenditure of funds, and of the careful accounting and reporting of same. He will be responsible for providing a detailed report of the operation, making available the details and results of the project as may be desired by the sponsoring and funding agency. He will operate under the direction of the Voter Registration-Education Committee, of the Opa locka branch of the NAACP.

Secretary: To provide the usual secretarial services for such a project.

Team Leaders: The team leaders will work under the supervision of the coordinator. It will be their responsibility to train the team workers, paid and voluntary, who will work with them in the registration and educational phases of the project.

Workers: The workers, paid and voluntary, will be responsible for the door to door search for non-registered voters, an educational approach to motivate registration, making arrangements for transportation and child care for those desiring to register, and participating in the citizen educational phase where qualified.

Voluntary Consultants: We will seek to recruit consultants wherever available to aid in the various parts of the project.

Cost:

Coordinator	$225.00
Secretary	150.00
Team Leaders (3)	270.00
Workers (9)	486.00
Office Space Rent	120.00
Materials	75.00
Total	$1326.00

Time: Three weeks with March 14th--28th as the crucial period.

Background:

Precinct	Registered 1/1/66	Voted 1964	Voted 1965
2	54	59	60
6 *	18	260	301
9	2051	2685	2041
14	367	0	365
15	9	0	2
22 **	860	2385	859
23	248	1	250
239	416	0	357
246	1697	0	1699
	5720	5390	5934

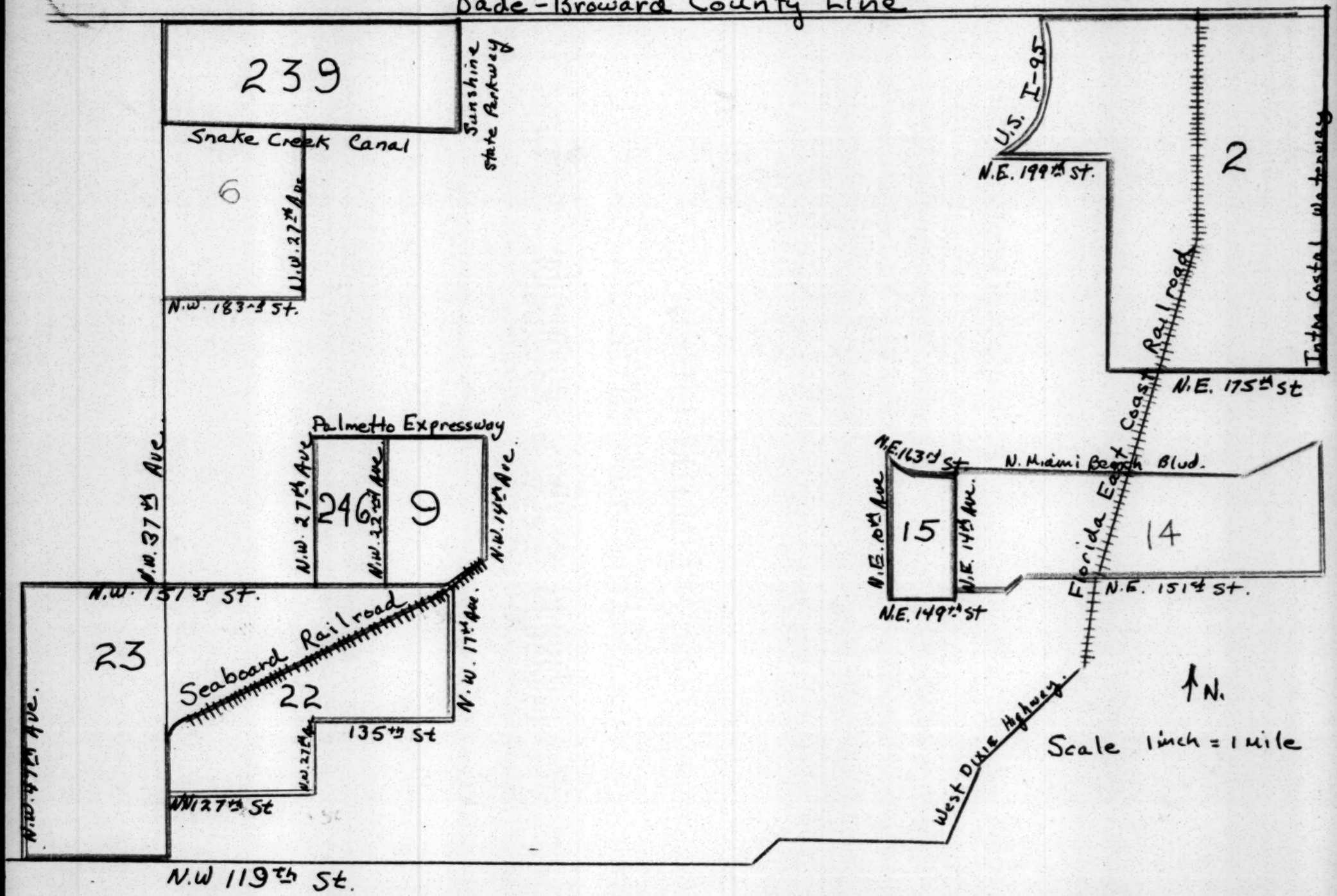
*Included what is now prec.239

** Included what is now prec. 23 & 246

The above chart indicates the registered Negro voters as of January 1966, Negroes voting in 1964, and early 1965 elections. There was a purging of the books in the fall of 1965 which accounts for the closeness of registered voters to the actual voting citizens.

The present political picture of Dade County and the City of Opa locka is good, but requires constant vigil and participation. The state political picture demands as much participation as possible in state issues and elections by those in this area who can register and vote without serious difficulty. Negroes have run for office, but do not now hold office in the area of this project. Negroes hold appointive jobs. There are action organizations.

The registration hours for the dates of March 14th--March 28th are: Mon.,Wed.,Fri., Sat. 9A.M.--5P.M.
Tues. and Thurs. 9A.m. --9P.M.



Precincts to be emphasized in North Dade County Voter Education-Registration Project.

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

March 16, 1966

Mrs. George M. Brunt
President
Opa-Locka Branch
National Association for the
Advancement of Colored People
2555 N. W. 159th Street
Opa-Locka, Florida

Dear Mrs. Brunt:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Opa-Locka, Florida Branch of NAACP to conduct a voter registration campaign in the Opa Locka area for the period of March 14 to March 28, 1966. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $250.00 for a "crash" 11-day campaign.

The amount granted is to cover the following:

Coordinator, for the 11-day period	$ 75.00
Workers (5) @$35.00 " " "	175.00

Our check in the amount of $250.00 is enclosed. Please sign and return the enclosed receipt carbon immediately.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Mrs. Barbara Patterson, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure
Ck. $250.00

cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

Check in the amount of $250.00 received from VEP on this 17th day of March, 1966.

RECEIVED
MAR 21 1966

Signed: Mrs. George M. Brunt
(Mrs.) George M. Brunt, President
Opa-Locka Branch, NAACP

4-6-67

No Statement
Required
"Crash Program"

April 20, 1966

Mrs. George M. Brunt, President
Opa-Locka Branch, NAACP
2555 159th Street, N.W.
Opa-Locka, Florida

Dear Mrs. Brunt:

RE: VEP 6-11

Our records indicate that your registration campaign was to run from March 14 to March 28, 1966. We wrote you on March 16 describing the report the Voter Education Project required of the Opa-Locka Branch under the terms of the grant. To date we have had no word from you, either as to the number of persons registered by this program, or as to the methods and organization of the program.

> MAY WE HEAR FROM YOU?

(corrected on original)

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Barbara Patterson
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

BP:jr

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Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

XXXXXXXXXXX Wiley A. Branton, Project Director

Budget Revision for the Opa-Locka Branch of the NAACP

11 day project VEP 66-11 Report due Monday

Coordinator	$75.00	
Workers 5@ $35. per	175.00	
		$250.00

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The Pensacola Improvement Association urges all eligible Negro citizens of Escambia County to register during the month of March. In MARCH of this year, join the MARCH toward equality, and equality shall be yours.

W. BENJAMIN KYLE, *President*
Pensacola Improvement Association

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TAX ASSESSOR

☆

E. J. GIBBS

TAX COLLECTOR

Escambia County

HORACE T. WARD

Senator

39th District of Georgia

A native of LaGrange, Georgia, Horace T. Ward received his early training in the public schools of that city. He earned the Bachelors Degree from Morehouse College in 1949. He earned the Masters Degree from Atlanta University in 1950, and the J. D. Degree in Law from Northwestern School of Law in 1957.

Senator Ward is a member of the Bar and has been engaged in the practice of Law in Atlanta since 1960. He is now associated with the law firm of Hollowell, Ward, Moore ad Alexander. The Senator campaigned for and won the Democratic nomination for the State Senate. He was elected Senator from the 39th Senatorial District of Georgia in November, 1964. At one time, he was an instructor in political science at Arkansas A & M College, and later at Alabama State College. He is also a former Claims Authorizer for the U. S. Social Security Administration.

The 38 year old Senator is a veteran of two year's service with the U. S. Army, with one year of service in Korea. He is married to the former Ruth LeFlore of Mobile, Alabama. They have one son, Theodore, who is a student at Turner High School.

Senator Ward is a member of Friendship Baptist Church and is active in civic life in Atlanta. Senator Ward is a member of the Executive Committee, Fulton County Citizens Demoncratic Club; Associate Chairman, All Citizens Registration Committee; Parliamentarian, Atlanta Negro Voter's League; Vice-President, West Side Civic League; and Treasurer, Gate City Bar Association. Senator Ward was formerly Third Ward Chairman of the Fulton County Democratic Party and now is a member of the Platform and Policy Committee of that organization.

Among the recent awards made to Senator Ward are the following: Young Man of the Year in the Professions in 1962, (Y's Men Club); Omega's Special Citizenship Award, 1964; The Young Man of the Year in Atlanta, 1964, (Y's Men Club).

Senator and Mrs. Ward were invited to the White House by President and Mrs. Johnson for a State Dinner in honor of the Prime Minister of Japan on January 12, 1965.

The Senator was sworn in and began serving in the Georgia State Senate on January 11, 1965. He has been appointed to the following standing committees: Business Trade and Commerce; County and Municipal Government, Health and Welfare; Penal and Correctional Affairs.

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President P.I.A.

SELECTION ..... John The Baptist Junior Choir

INVOCATION ..... Rev. L. W. Goram
Pastor, John The Baptist Church

SCRIPTURE ..... Rev. J. H. Kendrick
Pastor Zion Hope Baptist Church

SELECTION ..... Mount Canaan Baptist Church Choir No. 2

OCCASION ..... Mrs. Orastine D. Wills
Instructor, Wedgewood High School

SOLO ..... Mr. Lorenzo Kelly
President, Construction Company

FINANCIAL APPEAL ..... Rev. James Young
Pastor, Mount Canaan Baptist Church

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER ..... Rev. R. L. Hill
Pastor, Sixth Avenue Baptist Church

VOTER REGISTRATION ADDRESS ..... Honorable Horace T. Ward
State Senator of Georgia

SELECTION ..... Sixth Avenue Baptist Church Youth For Christ Choir

MEMBERSHIP APPEAL ..... William Marshall
Secretary, P.I.A.

DOXOLOGY ..... Rev. A. J. King
Pastor, Greater Union Baptist Church

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The State Senate

Senate Chamber
Atlanta

March 11, 1966

Escambia
6-74

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Director
Board of Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, Northwest
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Vernon:

You will find enclosed a copy of the program of the Pensacola Improvement Association at which I was the Keynote speaker.

Among the leadership of the organization, you find some of the more progressive young men in Pensacola and Escombia County. Mr. W. Benjamin Kyle, President of the Association, is a local High School Principal.

The recent program was a kickoff for a local voter registration campaign with the aim of adding 4,000 Negro voters to the rolls by the first week in April, in order that they might be able to vote in the May primary.

With my best regards, I am

Very truly yours,

Horace T. Ward

file

HTW:pc

Enclosure

Pensacola Fla Project

March 16, 1966

Mr. E. T. Kehrer, Southern Area Director
AFL-CIO Civil Rights Department
Suite 1422
40 Marietta Street, Southwest
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Kehrer:

This is to express our profound appreciation for your cooperation and active participation in making our Voter-Registration program held on Monday March 14, a success.

I voice the sentiment of those present when I say that your discourse was magnificent and scholarly.

A debt of gratitude do we owe you.

Very truly yours,

Walter B. Kyle, President

mlb

Copy to Mr. Art Hallgren
Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

Flu Project

March 16, 1966

Received
3-17-66

Honorable Horace T. Ward
Senator, 39th District
859½ Hunter Street, Northwest
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

This is to express our profound appreciation for your cooperation and active participation in making our Voter-Registration kick-off program a success.

Your presence in our community and the splendid discourse you delivered did much to stimulate and awaken many to the task we are striving to accomplish. Your discourse was replayed over Radio Station WBOP Sunday, March 13. You should write them for royalties (smile).

Reactions favoring your presence and presentation have been in abundance, and we are highly indebted to you for the contribution you made to our efforts to accomplish the objective we have established.

Very truly yours,

Walter B. Kyle, President

mlb

Copy to Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

March 21, 1966

The Pensacola Improvement
Association
3420 Pinestead Road
Pensacola, Florida

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your proposal, received March 21, 1966, requesting voter registration funds.

The Voter Education Project is indeed interested in serving you, and is therefore giving every consideration to your request. It is our hope that you can implement a successful voter registration program in Escambia County, and we will do whatever we can to help its promotion.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm

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MAR 21 1966

County Wide Voter Registration Project

Sponsored and Conducted

by

The Pensacola Improvement Association

at

Pensacola, Florida

and

Submitted to and in Compliance with

The Southern Regional Council, Inc.

in

Pursuit of Financial Assistance

for

The County of Escambia

3420 Pinestead Road

Pensacola, Florida

March - 1966

The Voter Registration Program currently being conducted by the Pensacola Improvement Association proposes to get four thousand (4,000) additional eligible Negro citizens of Escambia County, Florida, registered to vote in the May, 1966 primary. The justification for the definite need for this concerted effort is the fact that there are thirty-three thousand colored citizens in Escambia County who are eligible to register and vote, but prior to the current program undertaken by the Pensacola Improvement Association, only thirteen thousand (13,000) were registered.

CURRENT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Though the Pensacola Improvement Association will resume its activities and efforts in getting Negro citizens of Escambia County registered immediately following the May, 1966 primary election, its immediate goals and objectives are focused on getting an additional four thousand (4,000) colored citizens registered and eligible to vote prior to the May, 1966 primary. The current deadline for registration is April 5, 1966.

METHODS AND TECHNIQUES TO BE USED

In pursuit of accomplishing the aforementioned goals and objectives, the following methods and techniques will be employed:

1. Making available to persons eligible to register information related to the rules and regulations for

registering and voting.

2. Structuring the Voter Registration Program on a county wide basis and involving the total county in active participation.

3. Involving such institutions as churches, fraternities, sororities, civic clubs, teachers, laborers, entrepreneurs, professional and youth organizations.

4. Conducting mass meetings in churches, schools and auditoriums located in strategic localities throughout the county.

5. Establishing centrally located county headquarters for the purpose of disseminating information, keeping records and dispatching available transportation.

6. Identifying and employing available ward, precinct and blockworkers to make direct contact with unregistered persons within the designated geographical and political boundaries.

7. Utilizing all mass communication media as radio, television and newspapers.

8. Requesting ministers to designate a Voter-Registration Sunday at which time ministers throughout the county will take "Voter Registration" as the theme for their sermons.

9. Including registration announcements in ads released by large business firms through local papers.

10. Printing leaflets, posters and brochures, and distributing the same at mass meetings and for large window displays in stores. Distributing hand bills and leaflets in door-to-door campaigns.

11. Staging contests and presenting certificates and plaques to workers experiencing success in getting large numbers of eligible voters registered.

12. Printing and distributing bumper stickers, door knob hangers and lapel labels to registered voters and potential voters.

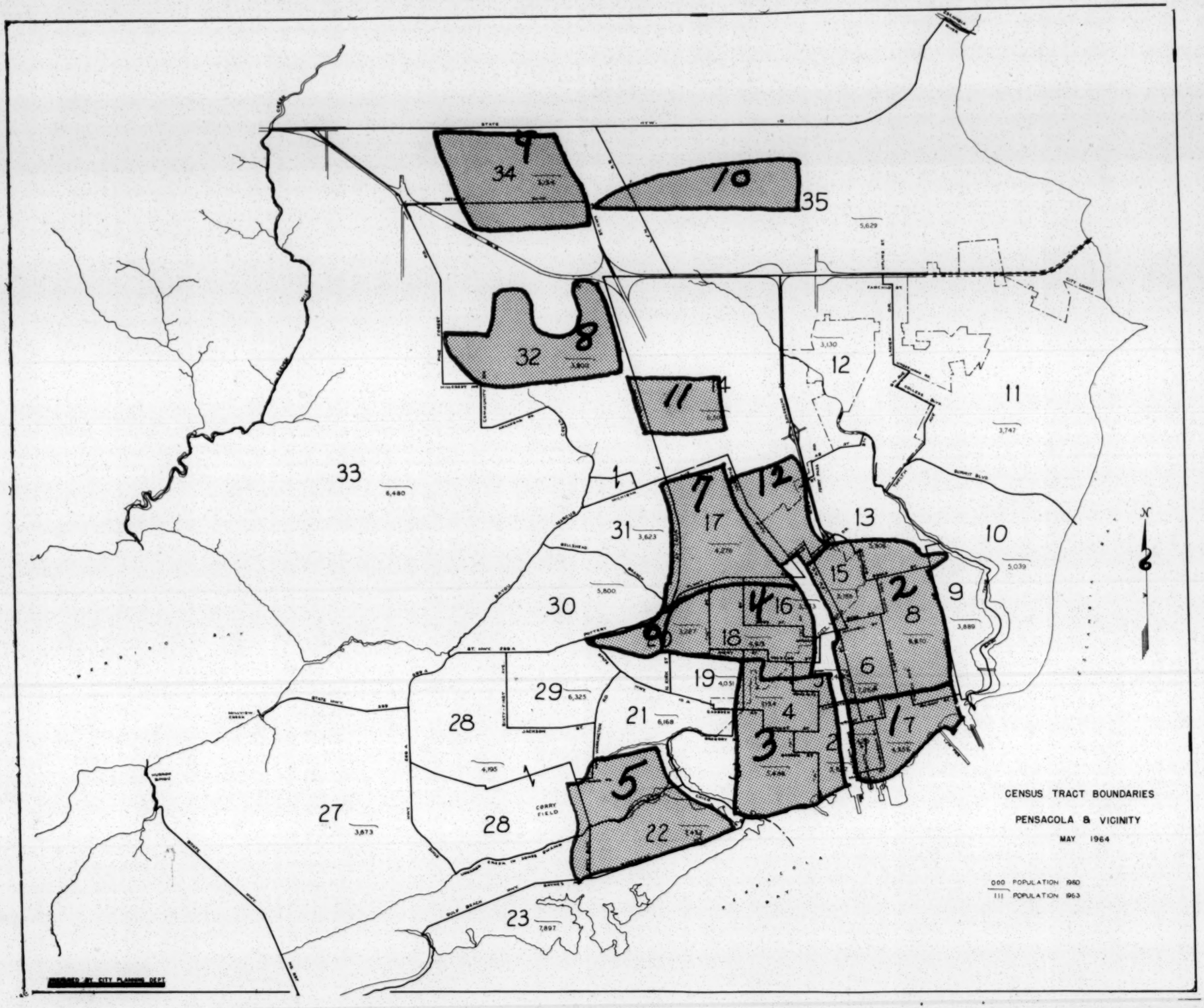
13. Providing transportation for eligible voters who do not have transportation nor immediate access to the books for registration purposes, and providing baby sitters for those persons who find it difficult to go and register because of the lack of a responsible person to keep their children.

POLITICAL AND GEOGRAPHICAL AREA TO BE SERVED

The political and geographical area in which the program is in effect is the City of Pensacola and the County of Escambia, Florida. The area is one of the fastest growing political sectors in the State of Florida and ranks ninth in size. The area is located in the very western extremity of the State of Florida. It is bounded on the west by Perdido Bay and the Perdido River, dividing line between the states of Florida and Alabama; and on the north by Alabama; on the east by Santa Rosa County, Florida; and on the south by the Gulf of Mexico. Pensacola, the county seat of Escambia County, is located on the southern border of the county and its city limits are bounded on two sides by water - on the south by Pensacola Bay, and by Bayou Chico on the west.

There are one hundred and twelve (112) precincts in Escambia County. Colored citizens hold positions of precinct committeemen and precinct committeewomen in thirty-two (32) of the precincts.

The communities on the following maps, indicated by shaded sections and in heavily darkened hues, represent predominately non-caucasian communities and are indicative of where a greater concentration of effort is being applied toward getting additional citizens registered. These pockets have been clearly designated as program targets.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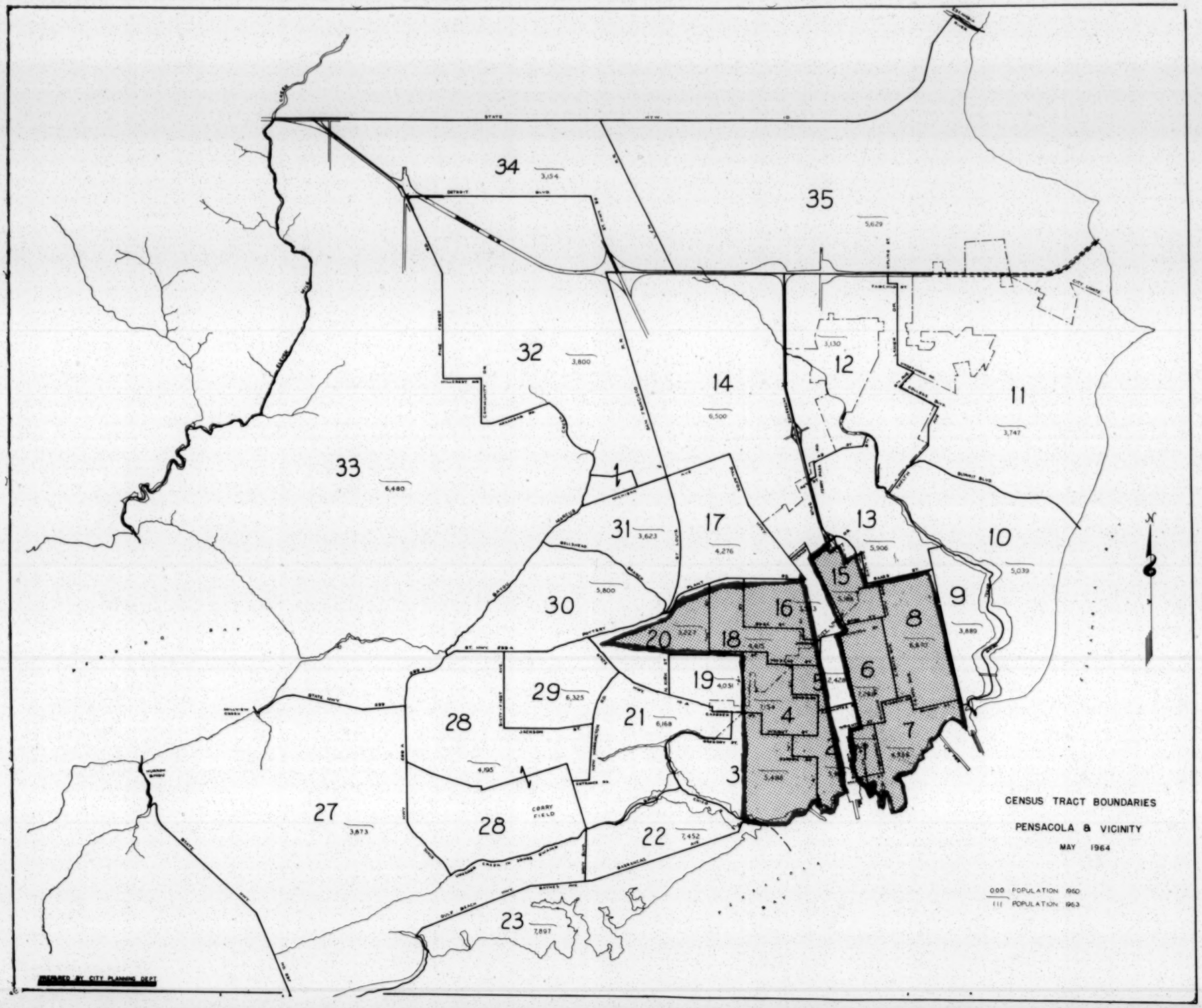
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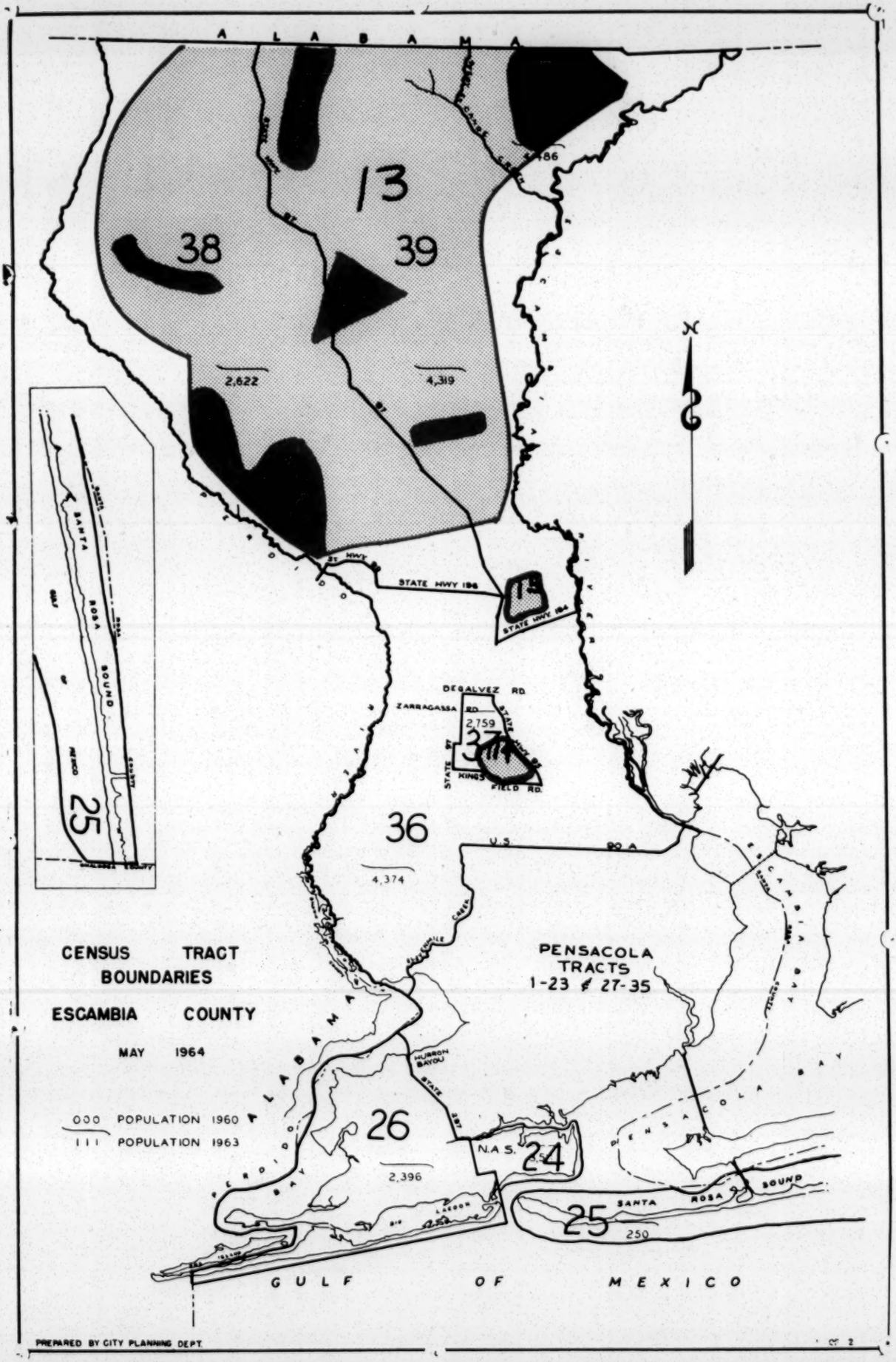
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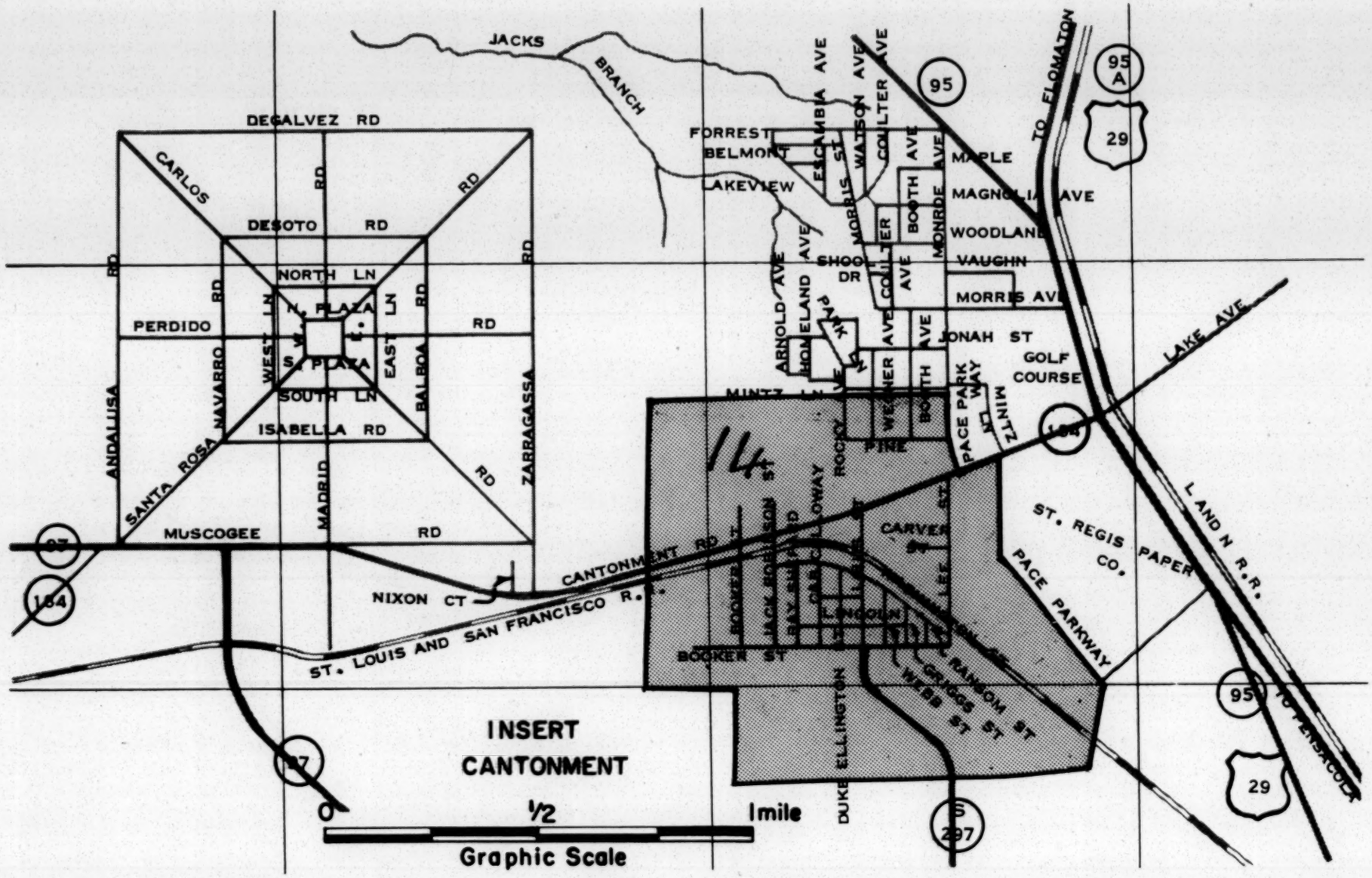
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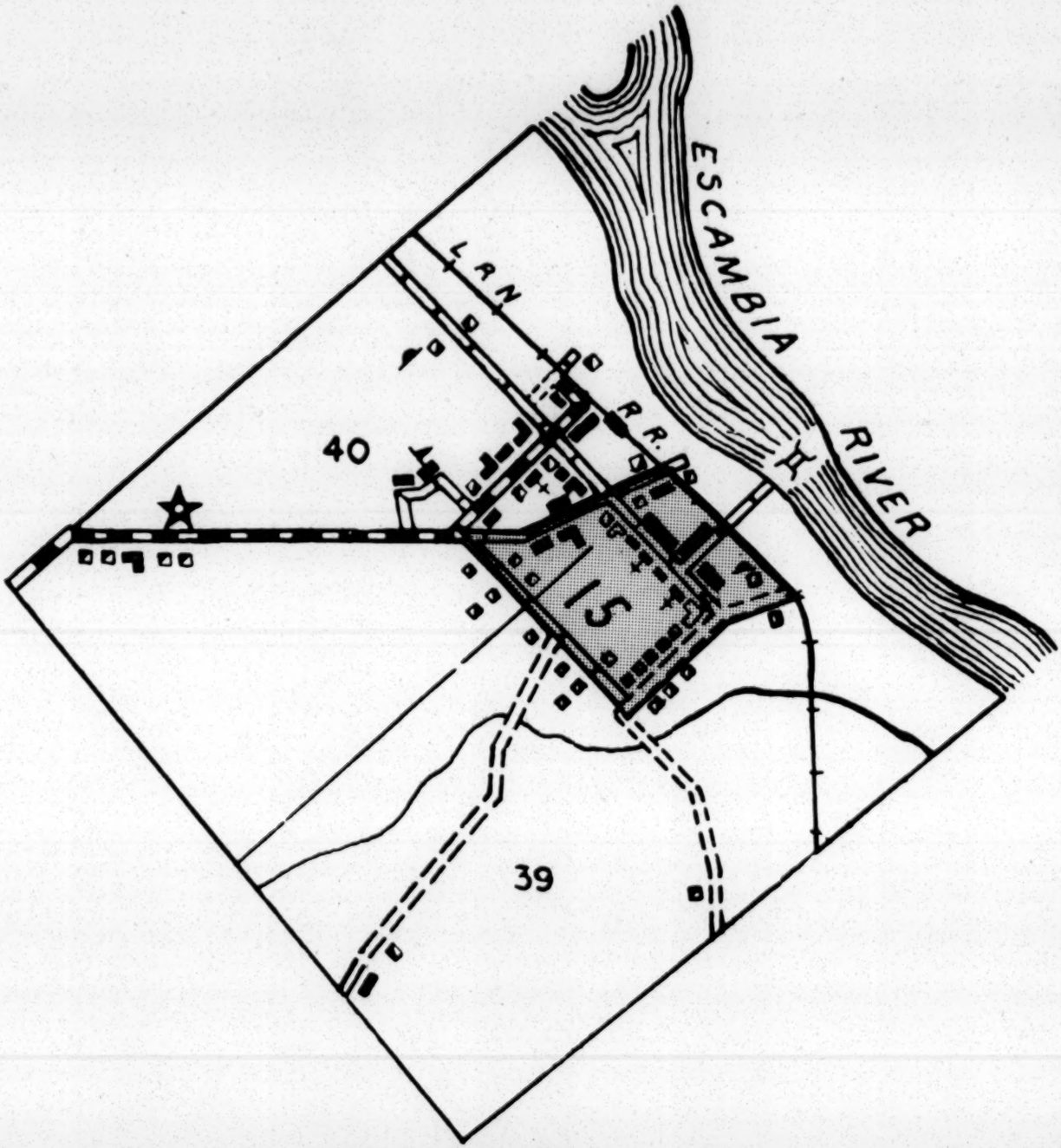

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PROGRAM PERSONNEL AND DUTIES

Board of Directors
(non-salaried)

Dr. S. W. Boyd
Mr. Clarence Benboe
Attorney Nathaniel Dedmond
Mr. John Reed
Mr. William Marshall
Mr. Robert Walker, Sr.
Mr. Lawrence Green
Mr. Joseph R. Jackson
Walter B. Kyle

The purpose and function of the board of directors shall be to act as trustees for the program. It shall review the project's activities as a whole, and it shall review and make decisions related to activities incidental to the overall objective. All activities and actions of the salaried personnel shall be subject to review by the board of directors.

Salaried Personnel

Project Director

Rev. H. C. Calloway 6514 Hampton Road 476-5137

It shall be the function of the director to plan, organize, direct, coordinate and evaluate the activities of all persons working under his supervision. He shall be responsible for making decisions that will control and direct the behavior of all other salaried personnel and make periodic reports to the board of directors. The director shall be responsible for the operation of the voter registration headquarters.

Area Coordinators

Mrs. Della Freeman	167 Attucks Court	HE 3-6282
Mrs. J. H. Kendrick	300 East Brainard	433-7777
Rev. A. C. Johnson	Route 1, Box 328	BL 6-3824
Mrs. Zadye Robinson	1214 East Fisher	HE 8-1400
Mrs. Carrie Mae Chatman	Route 3, Box 542	476-3139
Mrs. Myrable Calloway	6415 Hampton Road	476-5137

It shall be the function of the area coordinators to effect the program in their respective areas as prescribed and directed by the project director. Each area coordinator shall have two persons working under his or her immediate supervision with the responsibility of making door-to-door contacts, providing transportation, and distributing information and materials.

The area coordinators shall be charged with the responsibility of coordinating the respective prescribed areas:

North Escambia County

Rev. A. C. Johnson Mrs. Carrie Mae Chatman

Central Escambia County

Mrs. Zadye Robinson Mrs. Myrable Calloway

South Escambia County

Mrs. Della Freeman Mrs. J. H. Kendrick

Clerical Staff

Miss Aline Gary	Route 7, Box 618	476-7464
Mrs. Gussie Boswell	3998 Talisman Drive	438-7313
Miss Annie Ruth Scott	1023 N. 8th Avenue	438-8395

It shall be the function of the clerical staff to keep accurate records of registered voters, identify non-registered voters and secure transportation for those who are in need of same, arrange for needed baby sitters and dispatch same to desired residences, cut stencils, mimeograph and duplicate letters and mail same, dispatch produced materials to churches, public meetings and organizations and keep accurate records consisting of names and addresses of persons registered during the campaign.

ANTICIPATED COST OF PROGRAM

The Anticipated cost of this Voter-Registration Program is six-thousand dollars ($6,000.00).

Proposed Budget of Expenditures

Salaries

1 Director:	Three weeks @ $65.00 per week	$195.00	
6 Coordinators:	Three weeks @ $50.00 per week	900.00	
3 Secretaries:	Three weeks @ $30.00 per week	270.00	
12 Area Workers:	Three weeks @ $35.00 per week	1260.00	
15 Baby Sitters:	(to be paid hourly)	230.00	
			$2,855.00

Office Expenses and Printing

Rent: Three weeks @ $40.00 per week	120.00	
Rent: Auditorium (Municipal)	250.00	
Postage	200.00	
Printing	480.00	
Telephone, lights, appliance	100.00	
Honorariums	350.00	
		1,500.00

Transportation, Outings, Gasoline Mass Rallies

Transportation (gasoline)	500.00	
Voter-Registration outings	150.00	
Mass outdoor rallies	600.00	
		1,250.00
Miscellaneous		395.00
TOTAL		6,000.00

ANTICIPATED DURATION OF PROGRAM

The anticipated duration of the program currently in effect is 3½ weeks. At this point, the registration books will be closed for the May primary election.

PRESENT POLITICAL PICTURE

The present political picture is promising for the colored citizens of Escambia County providing a sufficient number of colored citizens are registered and will vote. There are no barriers to overcome in the form of intimidation and threats. In the last election, seven thousand and two hundred Negroes voted.

Colored citizens have run for office. Since 1950 colored citizens have sought and successfully won several positions as precinct committeemen and precinct committeewomen. In 1962, a colored man ran for the office of Representative to the Florida State Legislature. He was successful in gaining the second position in the primary, but he lost in the run off. In 1963, a colored man sought a seat on the city council. He was successful in running second in the primary from his ward. He was defeated in the run off. In 1954, a Negro ran for a position on the city council from his ward. He opposed the Mayor. The Mayor defeated him by ninety-seven (97) votes. It was reported that there were some irregularities in the counting. The colored candidate did not contest the counting because he had not assigned any colored citizen to work on the balloting committee at city hall. There are no Negroes in Escambia County holding appointive jobs. There are several active organizations in this community and the majority of them have pledged assistance

and active participation in the program.

The dates and hours of registration are from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. daily except during elections. Whenever there is an election, the registration books are closed thirty (30) days prior to the election. At the time the program began, there were thirteen thousand seven hundred and sixty-eight colored citizens qualified and registered to vote.

There is a general consensus of the community that there is the need for a political education program. Such a program would enlighten many of the citizens on matters of registration and voting policies, procedures, and regulations. There is a feeling that many would like to participate more fully in the mechanics and operation of the political process, but the lack of knowledge creates apprehension. A segment of the community is striving ardently to acquaint others with the operation of the process.

The Pensacola Improvement Association and all salaried and non-salaried persons active and participating in this program do commit themselves to executing this project in compliance with the policies and procedures prescribed by the Southern Regional Council, Inc., and set forth in its Guidelines For Voter Education Projects Grants.

NEIGHBORHOOD REGISTRATION PROGRAM

REMAINING PRIOR TO ELECTION

Century

March 28, 29, 30

Walnut Hill

March 28, 29, 30

Barth

March 28, 29, 30, 31

Cantonment

March 28, 29, 30, 31

County Courthouse

8:00 A. M. - 5:00 P. M. Daily

City Proper

8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P. M. Daily

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6-27-66

Pensacola Improvement Association
3420 Pinestead Road
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PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

June 23, 1966

Attorney Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director, Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Sir:

This is to inquire as to the chances for coordinating our activities with your review of our project submitted last March toward the objective of resuming our Voter-registration Program this Summer with the council's assistance.

The association, at its last meeting, gave consideration to a resumption of the project and having the same last through the Summer months. It is also requested that I write you to identify the possibilities for getting the council to give immediate consideration to its commitment of last March and an anticipated date for fulfilling the same.

Trusting that you will let us hear from you at the earliest possible date, we are

Very truly yours,

Walter E. Kyle, President

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July 8, 1966

Mr. Walter B. Kyle
President
Pensacola Improvement Association
3420 Pinestead Road
Pensacola, Florida

Dear Mr. Kyle:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Improvement Association of Pensacola, for a grant to conduct a voter registration program in Escambia County, Florida. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,975.00 for an eight week period, to run from July 11 to September 2, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary @ $50.00 per week	$ 400.00
b)	(6) Task Force Workers (@ $ 15.00 per week)	720.00
c)	Office Supplies	50.00
d)	Transportation	300.00
e)	Printing and Postage	75.00
f)	Rent	100.00
g)	Telephone	50.00
h)	(1) Secretary @ $35.00 per week	280.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting, by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Mr. Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

July 22, 1966

The Florida National Bank At Brent
5650 North Palafox Highway
Pensacola, Florida 32502

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $500.00 to be deposited to the account of the Pensacola Improvement Association. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Walter B. Kyle

July 22, 1966

Mr. Walter B. Kyle
President
Pensacola Improvement Association
3420 Pinestead Road
Pensacola, Florida

Dear Mr. Kyle:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 27, 1966

Mrs. Catherine King
1138 S. Rio Vista
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33316

Dear Mrs. King:

Mr. Anthony has passed your letter along to me. We are pleased to learn that you propose a voter registration drive in Fort Lauderdale.

I am enclosing a copy of the guidelines for programs assisted by the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, in case you are interested in applying for such assistance. I must point out, however, that this assistance may not be put to partisan use or be directly employed to support a specific candidate.

Mr. Edwin Stanfield, our director of field activities, will send you some material on operation of human relations organizations.

If I can be of further service, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf
cc: Mr. Edwin Stanfield

1138 S Fir Vista
Fort Lauderdale Florida 33316

June 28, 1966

Paul Anthony
Executive Director
Southern Regional Council

Dear Mr Anthony:

Since I wear several hats here in Fort Lauderdale I have several areas in which to ask for help.

First, as a member of the Fort Lauderdale Bi Racial Advisory Board I would like to know of source material, articles of any kind which might help us improve the functions of this Board.

Second, in the face, I want to involve members of my church in a voter registration drive. I am Chairman of the Social Concern Committee of the Unitarian Church here and there seems to be support within the church for a program like this.

Again, I need material which can help me set up an effective program. We have an excellent candidate for the State Legislature who was defeated in the May Primary because the Negro precincts did not support him. He will run again in 1968 and we need to organize our effective registration program in the meantime.

Any advice would be deeply appreciated.

Sincerely

(Mrs) Catharine King

(to Ed Slainfelt for further material)

FORM 5040 (8-63)

DEPOSIT RECEIPT

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ADDRESS: 2560 N. Davis. Wix

SERVICE NAME: Sm. (LAST) (FIRST) (MIDDLE)

AMOUNT: Fifty DOLLARS 00/00

THIS RECEIPT IS VALID UPON ENTRY THEREON OF S. B. T. & T. CO.'S PAID STAMP, OR SIGNATURE OF EMPLOYEE RECEIVING DEPOSIT (WITH DATE RECEIVED.)

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This deposit is held, subject to the Telephone Company's Tariff regulations, as collateral security for the payment of any and all charges for telephone service and facilities, exchange or toll, or both, due by depositor at the date of the discontinuance, for any cause, of depositor's telephone service; the security of this deposit being cumulative and in addition to any and all other rights or remedies which the Telephone Company may have for the nonpayment of any sum due it by depositor, including its right to discontinue service for nonpayment therefor. Said deposit is not made for the purpose of, nor shall it be used by depositor or the Telephone Company for, paying depositor's current bills from time to time due the Telephone Company during the continuance of telephone service to depositor.

Upon the discontinuance of depositor's telephone service, for any cause, the Telephone Company shall have the right to apply said deposit, with accrued interest due thereon at _____ per cent (____%) per annum, to the payment of any sum due it by depositor, with the balance of said deposit and accrued interest due, if any, to be returned to the depositor.

The Telephone Company reserves the right to refund this deposit, plus accrued interest due, at any time prior to the discontinuance of depositor's telephone service.

August 3, 1966

The Florida National Bank at Brent
5650 North Palafox Highway
Pensacola, Florida 32502

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $271.00 to be deposited to the account of the Pensacola Improvement Assoc. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Walter B. Kyle

August 3, 1966

Mr. Walter B. Kyle
President
Pensacola Improvement Association
3420 Pinestead Road
Pensacola, Florida

Dear Mr. Kyle:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Florida National Bank at Brent, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 8, 19 66

Received of Pensacola Improvement Association

Fifteen and ——— 00/100 Dollars

For Task Worker

$ 15.00 Mrs Vivian Pettiway

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August 8, 19 66

Received of Pensacola Improvement Association

Fifteen and ——— 00/100 Dollars

For Task Worker

$ 15.00 Ruby Jones

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August 8, 19 66

Received of Pensacola Improvement Association

Fifteen and — no/100 Dollars

For Task Worker

$ 15.00 Viola Green

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August 8, 19 66

Received of Pensacola Improvement Association

Fifteen and — no/100 Dollars

For Task Worker

$ 15.00 Deborah Freeman

MADE IN U. S. A.

August 8, 1966

Received of Seminole Improvement Association

Fifty and ~~~~ no/100 Dollars

For Director

$ 50.00 Della Freeman

MADE IN U. S. A.

August 8, 1966

Received of Seminole Improvement Association

Thirty-Five and ~~~~ no/100 Dollars

For Secretary

$ 35.00 Barbara Charles

MADE IN U. S. A.

August 15, 1966

The Florida National Bank at Brent
5650 North Palafox Highway
Pensacola, Florida 32502

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $195.00 to be deposited to the account of the Pensacola Improvement Association. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 15, 1966

Mrs. Della M. Freeman
Director
Pensacola Improvement Association
Voter Education Project
3420 Pinestead Road
Pensacola, Florida

Dear Mrs. Freeman:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 22, 1966

The Florida National Bank at Brent
5650 North Palafox Highway
Pensacola, Florida 32502

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $160.00 to be deposited to the account of the Pensacola Improvement Association. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 22, 1966

Mrs. Della Freeman
Director
Pensacola Improvement Assocaition
Voter Education Project
3420 Pinestead Road
Pensacola, Florida

Dear Mrs. Freeman:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encl

PENSACOLA IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

3420 PINESTEAD ROAD
PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

W. BENJAMIN KYLE, *President*

PHONE 433-6459
476-0347

R. WALKER
First Vice-President

CHARLIE L. TAITE
Second Vice-President

WILLIAM MARSHALL
Recording Secretary

CHARLES F. BOYD
Ass't. Recording Secretary

ROY STEVENS
Financial Secretary

DR. SIMON W. BOYD
Treasurer

JOSEPH R. JACKSON
Parliamentarian

E. L. BROUGHTON
Sergeant-at-Arms

H. G. DuBOSE
Chaplain

August 30, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Oliver
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Oliver:

Consideration of the County Registrar's action favoring us with a period of time in which we can place the books in the field suggests the advisability of appealing to you and your staff for an extension on our current Voter Education Project until September 20, 1966. The Registrar has granted us the period September 14 - 20, 1966 to keep the books in our headquarters and deputize Mrs. Freeman in order that she might work in various precincts.

I am sure that we can make adjustments with our staff and recruit volunteer workers to the extent that we will not exceed our alloted budget.

Trusting you will find it possible to give us favorable action in this endeavor, we are

Very truly yours,

W. Benjamin Kyle

W. Benjamin Kyle, President
PENSACOLA IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

WBK:k

Thaddeus

August 31, 1966

Mr. W. Benjamin Kyle
President
Pensacola Improvement Association
3420 Pinestead Road
Pensacola, Florida

Dear Mr. Kyle:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 30. The Project is happy to extend your program until September 20, with the balance of the funds in your VEP Account.

Please do not hesitate to write us again if we can be of further service to you!

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/pf

September 1, 1966

The Florida National Bank at Brent
5650 North Palafox Road
Pensacola, Florida 35502

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $240.00 to be deposited to the account of the Pensacola Improvement Association. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 1, 1966

Mrs. Della M. Freeman
Director
Pensacola Improvement Association
Voter Registration Project
3420 Pinestead Rd.
Pensacola, Florida

Dear Mrs. Freeman:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
ALBERT W. DENT, VICE PRESIDENT
MARION A. WRIGHT, VICE-PRESIDENT
JOSEPHINE WILKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT
RUFUS E. CLEMENT, VICE-PRESIDENT
RAYMOND M. WHEELER, CHAIRMAN, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
JOSEPH HAAS, COUNSEL
LESLIE W. DUNBAR, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA
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A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

BUDGET REVISION: Pensacola Improvement Assiciation

VEP 66-74 Report due Thursday

8 Week Program July 11 to September 2, 1966

Director @ $50. per week	$400.00	
(6) Task Force Workers @ $15. per week	720.00	
Office Supplies	50.00	
Transportation	+ 50.00 ~~250.00~~	300 –
Printing and Postage	75.00	
Rent	100.00	
Telephone	50.00	
(1) Secretary @ $35. per week	280.00 ~~280.00~~	280.00
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September 6, 1966

The Florida National Bank at Brent
5650 Palafox Highway
Pensacola, Florida 32502

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $171.23 to be deposited to the account of the Pensacola Improvement Association. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 7, 1966

Mrs. Della Freeman
Director
Pensacola Improvement Association's
Voter Education Project
3420 Pinestead Road
Pensacola, Florida

Dear Mrs. Freeman:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 9, 1966

Mr. Walter B. Kyle
President
Pensacola Improvement Association
3420 Pinestead Road
Pensacola, Florida

Dear Mr. Kyle:

It has been a pleasure and privilege to have your proposal in our files. Your proposal sets a high standard for others to attain.

I am well aware of the substantial pary you played in preparing this proposal, and I wish to express my gratitude for your cooperation.

I will be arriving on National Flight 293 at 5:09 p.m. Wednesday evening, September 15, to get acquainted with you and your Project. We will be in Pensacola until Thursday, September 16. We look forward to a mutually pleasant and profitable day.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
cc: Mrs. Della Freeman

September 12, 1966

The Florida National Bank at Brent
5650 North Palafox Highway
Pensacola, Florida 32502

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $229.00 to be deposited to the account of the Pensacola Improvement Association. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 12, 1966

Mr. Walter B. Kyle
President
Pensacola Improvement Assoc.
3420 Pinestead Rd.
Pensacola, Florida

Dear Mr. Kyle:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 19, 1966

Mr. Walter B. Kyle
President
Pensacola Improvement Association
3420 Pinestead Rd.
Pensacola, Florida

Dear Mr. Kyle:

This brief note is to thank you for everything during our brief stay in your city. May I congradulate you for the great service you are rendering to your city and community.

Please convey to all members of your staff our sincere thanks. Since this was our first trip to Pensacola, we were most grateful for everything.

May you continue to enjoy success in this and future efforts, and if you are ever in Atlanta, please give me a call.

Yours in the bond,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
cc: Mr. Richard Miles

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The Florida National Bank at Brent
5650 North Palafox Highway
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Mrs. Della M. Freeman
Director
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Pensacola Improvement Association
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Dear Mrs. Freeman:

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Mr. Wall, in his letter of July 14, 1966 mentioned certain reports that are required. May I remind you that this report should describe the scope and organization of your program. The number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. May we have this at your earliest convenience.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

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September 23, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive, Administrative
Assistant, Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Brother Olive:

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It was a pleasure having you in the city and to assist you in moving about throughout the city while conducting the review.

We terminated our on the spot headquarters registration program on Wednesday, September 21, 1966. This date was the expiration date for the period of time granted us to keep the books in the headquarters. The county registrar expressed elation for the work we did. Our record at headquarters surpassed all records at his office for the period of time we were permitted to keep the books.

In compliance with your reminder and provisions of the guidelines, I am currently developing a comprehensive report which I will get in your office immediately upon my return from the Florida State Voter's League.

The Pensacola Improvement Association commends you and members of your staff for the splendid cooperation and participation you have given us in this endeavor, and we shall forever remain cognizant of the fact that had it not been for you, never would we have experienced the success we realized.

Yours in Bond

W. Benjamin Kyle

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Copy to: Mr. Vernon Jordon

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PAUL ANTHONY
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A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

October 10, 1967

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In view of the fact that this account is inactive, it becomes necessary for us to close out this account. Our records indicate that you have a balance in the bank, Florida First National Bank at Brent, in the amount of $ 117.84. Please return said balance ($ 117.84) to the Voter Education Project immediately.

If we can be of further service to you in getting this matter cleared up, please let us hear from you.

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We are handling our project through the local NAACP chapter headed by Rev. Roscoe L. Lacy. He has long been associated with voter registration drives in other cities. We expect nothing short of success.

Thank you for a speedy reaction to our request. If you have need to contact me immediately you can reach me at Sarasota (955-3407) Or Miami (377-9671). By mail...at P.O. Box 3301 Sarasota or 100 Biscayne Blvd.13th Floor, Miami, Florida. Rev. Lacy's point of contact is listed on the application.

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HISTORY:

Originally a part of Manatee County, adjacent to the north, Sarasota County was created by a special act of the legislature in 1921. However, as early as 1539, Hernando DeSoto anchored off Long Boat Key in Sarasoto Bay. The name Bay Porte Sarasoto appears for the first time on an old Spanish map dated 1774. Early inhabitants of Bay Porte Sarasoto were Seminole Indians, Spanish and Scottish. In 1886 a Scottish based investment company, Florida Mortgage and Investment Corp., initiated the first economic development of the area. The next major factor in Sarasota's growth was when the famous Ringling brothers, John and Charles began investing in land in 1911. This was to set the pace and influence the type of development in Sarasota County. They built magnificent resort hotels and residences. They gave the community a reputation for being "lovers of the arts". The nationally famous John and Mabel Ringling Museum of Art is located here. The winter quarters of the famous Ringling Bros., circus is located in Venice, the second largest city in the county. Almost from the beginning Sarasota was destined to be developed as a tourist-resort area.

HEALTH:

Sarasota County's health needs are well met. The area is serviced by organized public health programs supervised by the County Health Department. Sarasota Memorial Hospital is a modern 600 bed hospital with a well respected staff. There are two county-operated nursing homes as well as three privately-owned nursing homes.

EDUCATION:

Sarasota County's educational system is generally considered to be one of the finest in Florida. It has a reputation for experimentation and innovation in education. It was among the first counties in Florida to integrate it's schools - on a token basis. The school system consists of 5 public Senior High schools, 1 Parochial Senior High school; 5 Public Junior High schools; 2 Parochial Junior High schools; 8 public Elementary schools; 2 Parochial Elementary schools. Manatee Jr. College serves the County as well as very selective New College - a four year liberal Arts College of the Ivy-league type in it's third year. The school system is integrated on a token basis, barely complying with the law. There is a consenous of opinion that the Birchite-type, right wing element for which Sarasota is known (NBC special in June) is firmly entrenched in the school administration and school board. Three members on the school board (a majority) are members or sympathizers of right wing elements. This is one area where increased voter-registration

EDUCATION: Cont'd

will greater participation in school board elections, thereby greater participation in decisions affecting schools.

TRANSPORTATION: (passenger & freight)

Land transportation is provided by two railway lines and six trucking companies. Two major Federal highways and 2 state highways facilitate land transportation. 3 major airlines and three lesser flight companies (including air taxi service) provide air transportation. Daily Jet transportation is available directly to the midwest and the Northeast.

INDUSTRY:

Sarasota is basically a tourist center. However in recent years the county government created a "Light Industry Council". Since then the county has attracted diversified light industry (electronics, medical laboratories, Builders & developers, Packing House Operations, Chemical labs., Boat building, Trailer building, etc.)

Farms and cattle ranches occur in the outer-county areas and contribute to the economy.

Famous Florida tourist attractions are: Ringling Museum, Sarasota Jungle Garden; Circus Hall of Fame; Cars of Yesterday; Florida-land; Myakka Park; Sarasota Greyhound Race Track, Lido Beach; Long Boat Key; and St. Armands Shopping Circle, etc.

Numerous motels and Hotels adorn the area to facilitate the tourist.

Sarasota, has very little port activity. It is mainly limited to charter fishing and sight seeing.

PUBLICITY:

Two daily papers, two weekly papers (one a Negro weekly), 3 radio stations; and two monthly magazines (aimed at tourists) make up the news media of Sarasota. In addition, the county is serviced by 4 television stations from nearby Tampa and St. Petersburg. A group of Sarasota business have an application with the FCC fpr a VHF station (Channel 40).

POPULATION & LABOR:

The population of Sarasota County is 90,000 plus with a projection of 180,000 by 1975 (Milligan Report, USF). Negroes comprise approximately 12 per cent, mostly residing in Sarasota city limits. A small migrant influx yearly vary this figure slightly. They are mostly housed outside the city limits.

The median per capita income of Sarasota residents is highest in the state. However, 6,465 families in Sarasota make under $3000.00 per year. Of this number Negroes make up 77%.

Most Negroes are relegated to low income jobs of the laborer and service variety. The high per capita income of Sarasota is due to the many millionaries who live in the area. Actually there is no significant "middle ground". Either you are wealthy or poor, generally. Negroes make up most of the unskilled and unemployed.

HOUSING:

Housing for Negroes is an acute problem. A housing project (460 units) forms the basis for low income Negro housing. An additional 300 units have been proposed since a Negro has been put on the Housing Authority. The minimum Housing code has not been enforced as it should have been on white-owned rental units in the area. No urban renewal is being discussed sincerely. With increased voter strength urban renewal could become a reality.

The purpose of this voter registration project is to vitalize this community into realizing it's privileges, rights, and responsibilities. More than 4,000 Negroes are eligible to vote but are not registered. Certainly we hope to get a large segment of that group. Registration drives in the past have always fallen short from a lack of funds, even though some progress has been made. Our hope is to afford the Negro in this community the political power to be heard in matters that affect his wage-earning, housing, schools, and ability to participate in his government.

METHODS

1. Recruitment and orientation of workers.
2. Complete analysis of voter registration lists.
3. Coordinate transportation needed.
4. Coordinate promotion and publicity.
5. Door-to-door contact with non-registered voters.
6. Hold mass meetings periodically during registration drive to inform and encourage people to register.
7. Coordinate "after hours" registration with County Supervisor.
8. Employ mobile registration units if permissable. (To be worked out).
9. Utilize workers throughout County to man registration offices to assist and encourage persons to register.
10. Conduct registration classes (small groups) in the registration drive headquarters.
11. Solicit involvement of community, social, civic, and religious groups to aid this project.
12. Involve local business men in this project.
13. Evaluation.

The committee to supervise this project as according to the rules and guide line of the Southern Regional Council are:
(see attached sheet 1A)

COST:

The program is designed to cover 8 weeks.
(see attached sheet 1B)

BACKGROUND:

Sarasota is ripe for a strong Negro effort produced through voter registration to make itself felt in local politics. The two party system is strong here. Sarasota is the only County in Florida where Republicans outnumber Democrats (approximately 2000 difference). Thus, a significant number of registered Negroes can be the balance of power in most local elections. Even with the smaller number of Negroes registered now this has been the case in the last two City Commission elections.

BACKGROUND: (Cont'd)

Negroes were not allowed to vote in the primaries until 1948. Mainly Democrats were responsible for this. Since that time both Republicans and Democrats have been wooing the Negro vote. It has remained primarily with the Democrats because there is a strong right wing element attached to the Republican Party. Several "hate" groups operate in the area. However, they are not the "tobacco-chewing, red neck Klan variety". They are more "Birch" - well-financed, sophisticated and effective.

Two Negroes ran for City Commissioner in 1963 and lost. Since then, a Negro has been commissioned on the Housing Authority. Other Negroes have been put on the Recreation Board and the Human Relations Council. There are Negro Committeemen in the Democratic Party but not the Republican.

Generally, Sarasotans turn out poorly to the polls. In one recent election only 18% of the registered voters participated. The opportunity for Negroes to really participate in this community's government rests only with voter registration and education.

Acting Organizations in the Community

NAACP, Community Civic League

REGISTRATION;

The registration office is open from 9:00 A.M., to 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday. One night per week 7:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M., has been provided through special arrangement in the past. Both the Republican Chairman and the Democratic Chairman have offered their assistance in securing registration lists. We also have a tremendous advantage in having a Negro newspaper to assist us in our efforts.

Certainly we anticipate tremendous success from this project. Sarasota seems to be one area where increased voter registration will produce almost immediate gains for the improvement of living conditions. Ours is to work toward that goal.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE
TWENTY WEST FORTIETH STREET • NEW YORK, N. Y. 10018 • BRyant 9-1400
Please direct reply to:
W. C. Patton, Associate Director
Voter Education
1630 NORTH FOURTH AVENUE
ROOM 407
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA 35203
PHONE 322-0708

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VERNON JORDAN, ESQUIRE
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
5 FORSYTH STREET, N.W.
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

DEAR MR. JORDAN:

I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR ACCEPTING OUR INVITATION TO APPEAR AS ONE OF THE GUEST PANELIST AT THE NAACP POLITICAL ACTION WORKSHOP AND SPECIAL EVENT SUNDAY, JULY 24, AT THE SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH, 1530 - SIXTH AVENUE, NORTH, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA.

I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF YOU WILL ASSEMBLE IN THE DOWNSTAIRS AUDITORIUM AT 1:45 P.M. FOR THE LINE OF MARCH TO THE PLATFORM.

AGAIN THANKING YOU, I AM,

VERY TRULY YOURS,

W. C. Patton

W. C. PATTON

WCP/LW

TO
JEP. 94

September 1, 1966

The Reverend R. L. Lacy
President
Sarasota Branch, NAACP
2227 Dixie Avenue
Sarasota, Florida

Dear Mr. Lacy:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Sarasota Branch, NAACP, for a grant to conduct a voter registration program in Sarasota, Sarasota County, Florida. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,200.00 for a six week program, to run from September 5 to October 14, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary	@ $40.00 per week	$ 240.00
b)	Secretary	@ $25.00 per week	150.00
c)	Office Rent		75.00
d)	Office Supplies		50.00
e)	(5) Task Force Workers (@ $15.00 per week)		270.00
f)	Transportation		375.00
g)	Printing and Postage		40.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner, whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

cc: Messrs., W. C. Patton
Rutledge Pearson

September 2, 1966

The Reverend R. L. Lacy
President
Sarasota Branch, NAACP
2227 Dixie Avenue
Sarasota, Florida

Re: VEP-66-94

Dear Mr. Lacy:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on page three of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report.covering a single period. Since your program begins September 5, we will need reports from you on September 19, October 3, and October 17.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you on October 19, after your program has been completed. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers, and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:nm

September 9, 1966

The Reverend R. L. Lacy
President
Sarasota Branch, NAACP
2227 Dixie Ave.
Sarasota, Florida

Dear Mr. Lacy:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 9, 1966

Sarasota Bank & Trust Company
Sarasota, Florida

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $400.00 to be deposited to the account of Sarasota Branch, NAACP Voter Registration Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
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September 19, 1966

Sarasota Bank & Trust Company
Sarasota, Florida

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $260.00 to be deposited to the account of the Sarasota Branch, NAACP Voter Registration Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 19, 1966

Mr. Bob Carroll
Director
Sarasota Branch, NAACP
Voter Registration Project
2227 Dixie Ave.
Sarasota, Florida

Dear Mr. Carroll:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

2227 Dixie Avenue
Sarasota, Florida
September 24, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

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Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed please find our financial report #2 covering through September 24.

With best regards I am,

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Sincerely,

Bob Carroll

Bob Carroll
BC/DW
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September 29, 1966

The Reverend R. L. Lacy
President
Sarasota Branch, NAACP
2227 Dixie Avenue
Sarasota, Florida

Dear Mr. Lacy:

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to have your proposal in our files. It sets a high standard for others to attain.

I am well aware of the substantial part you played in preparing this proposal, and I wish to express my deep gratitude for your cooperation.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Thursday, October 6, I will be in Sarasota, Florida, along with Mr. Richard Miles to get better acquainted with you and your project. We look forward to a mutually pleasant and profitable day.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
cc: Mr. Richard Miles
Mr. W. C. Patton

September 29, 1966

Sarasota Bank & Trust Company
P.O. Box 1718
Sarasota, Florida 33578

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $148.00 to be deposited to the account of the Sarasota Branch, NAACP Voter Registration Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 11, 1966

Mrs. Sallye B. Mathis
Chairman
Voter Registration-Education Committee
NAACP
1160 Durkee Drive
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mrs. Mathis:

This brief note is to thank you for everything during our brief stay in your city. May I congradulate you for the great service you are rendering to your city and community.

Please convey to all members of your staff our sincere thanks.

May you continue to enjoy success in this and future efforts, and if we can be of further service, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 11, 1966

The Reverend R. L. Lacy
President
Sarasota Branch, NAACP
2227 Dixie Avenue
Sarasota, Florida

Dear Mr. Lacy:

This brief note is to thank you for everything during our brief stay in your city. May I congraduate you for the great service you are rendering to your city and community.

Please convey to all members of your staff our sincere thanks. Since this was our first trip to Sarasota, we were grateful for everything.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) Weekly Report forms.

May you continue to enjoy success in this and future efforts, and if you are ever in Atlanta, please give me a call.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 11, 1966

Sarasota Bank & Trust Company
P.O. Box 1718
Sarasota, Florida 33578

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $175.00 to be deposited to the account of the Sarasota Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

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2227 Dixie Avenue
Sarasota, Florida
October 13, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

We enjoyed having you and Mr. Miles with us during your visit to Florida. Sorry that we had such a short time. However, we do look forward to maintaining our contact with you.

We have heard from Mr. Miles regarding a possible trip to South Carolina for some seminar/workshop activities after the election. Of course, at this time we can't commit for certain. However, we'll work something out later.

This report closes out our project here in Sarasota. It has been enjoyable and educational to have participated in your total program. Please consider us for future participation in some of your other projects.

With warmest regards, we remain

Sincerely,

Bob Carroll

Bob Carroll
Director

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

Wiley A. Branton, Project Director

BUDGET REVISION:SARATOA BRANCH, NAACP

VEP 66-~~8~~ 94 Report due Thurdday of each week

6 Week Program from September 5 to October 14, 1966

Director @ ~~$50.00~~ 40.00 per week	~~$300.00~~	240.00 balance on transportation
Secretary @ ~~$40.00~~ 25.00 per week	~~240.00~~	150.00
Office Rent	75.00	
Office Supplies	50.00	
(5) Task Force Workers @ $15.00 per week	~~x450x00~~ 270.00	
Transportation	~~225.00~~ 375.00	
Printing and Postage	40.00	
		$1200.00

cc: W.C. Patton

~~Ruth~~

~~Ruth~~ Rutledge Pearson

October 17, 1966

The Reverend R. L. Lacy
President
Sarasota Branch, NAACP
2227 Dixie Avenue
Sarasota, Florida

Dear Mr. Lacy:

It has been a pleasure and privilege to have your proposal in our files. May I again congradulate you and other members of your Branch for a job well done.

Mr. Wall, in his letter of September 2, 19663 mentioned certain reports that are required as you close your program. May I remind you that this report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Please do not hesitate to write us again if we can be of further service to you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 17, 1966

Sarasota Bank and Trust Company
P.O. Box 1718
Sarasota, Florida

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $217.00 to be deposited to the account of the Sarasota Branch, NAACP Voter Registration Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

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WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

W. P. MARSHALL
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

R. W. McFALL
PRESIDENT

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W C PACTON

1630 NORTH 4 AVE. BHAM

FORWARDED TODAY IS VEP PROPOSAL FROM ST PETERSBURG HIGHLY URGENT THAT SAME BE FORWARDED IMMEDIATELY FOR APPROVAL. MACHINERY FOR SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM IS IN ORDER, PLEASE PERSONALLY RUSH THIS PROPOSAL THROUGH, NEED FUNDING NOW

MARVIN DAVIES.

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Memo from . . .

Reid
9-8-66

w. c. patton

SEPTEMBER 7, 1966

TO: MR. VERNON JORDAN

ATTACHED PLEASE FIND A PROPOSAL FROM ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA. PLEASE NOTE THE NAME OF THE DIRECTOR AND SECRETARY THERE.

BECAUSE OF THE ESSENCE OF TIME, WE WOULD APPRECIATE IMMEDIATE ACTION ON THIS PROPOSAL.

Vern

SEP 7 1966

NAACP SPONSORED VOTER REGISTRATION CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

Name of Branch	St. Petersburg Branch	
Chairman	Israel L. Heard	
Address	1355 16th Street South	Phone: 820-0582
City	St. Petersburg	State Florida
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City	St. Petersburg	Florida
Member	Miss Mildred I. Perkins	
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Secretary	Mrs. Oradine Willis	
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City	St. Petersburg	Florida
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City	St. Petersburg	Florida

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Director	Aaron Graham 1031 14th Street South St. Petersburg, Florida	Phone: 822-0191
Office Secretary	Miss Patricia Donaldson 1923 16th Avenue South St. Petersburg, Florida	Phone: 898-9142
Office Address	2027 7th Avenue South St. Petersburg, Florida	

J. L. Fennell

J. L. Fennell
Branch President

Elizabeth Mainor

Mrs. Elizabeth Mainor
Branch Secretary

TO
VEP-97

September 12, 1966

Mr. J. L. Fennell
President
St. Petersburg Branch, NAACP
2027 7th Avenue, South
St. Petersburg, Florida

Dear Mr. Fennell:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the St. Petersburg Branch, NAACP, for a grant to conduct a voter registration project in Pinellas County, Florida. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,805.00 for a five week period to run from September 8 to October 15, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to five weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary	@$ 50.00 per week	$ 250.00
b)	Secretary	@$ 35.00 per week	175.00
c)	(15 Task Force Workers) (@ $15.00 per week)		1,125.00
d)	Office Supplies		75.00
e)	Rent		30.00
f)	Printing and Postage		75.00
g)	Telephone		75.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support pratisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

September 14, 1966

Mr. J. L. Fennell
President
St. Petersburg Branch, NAACP
2027 7th Ave. South
St. Petersburg, Florida

Dear Mr. Fennell:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and <u>not</u> by estimate.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program began September 10, we will need reports from you on September 26, October 10, and October 17.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you on October 19, after your program has been completed. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers, and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

September 19, 1966

Mr. J. L. Fennell
President
St. Petersburg Branch, NAACP
2027 7th Avenue, South
St. Petersburg, Florida

Dear Mr. Fennell:

With the very obvious success of your project still reverbertaing, I am sure that mundance matters such as fiscal reporting is far from your mind at the moment. However, the provisions of our guidelines must be met. I am afraid that I must intrude on your elation for a moment and call to your attention the fact that we have not received the name and address of your bank, the necessary signature card, and the deposit slips. May we have these, at your earliest convenience, so we may fund your project.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

September 29, 1966

Mr. J. L. Fennell
President
St. Petersburg Branch, NAACP
2027 7th Avenue, South
St. Petersburg, Florida

Dear Mr. Fennell:

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to have your proposal in our files. It sets a high standard for others to attain.

I am well aware of the substantial part you played in preparing this proposal, and I wish to express my deep gratitude for your cooperation.

Wednesday, October 5, I will be in St. Petersburg, Florida along with Mr. Richard Miles to get better acquainted with you and your project. We look forward to a mutually pleasant and profitable day.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO/pf
cc: Mr. Richard Miles
Mr. W. C. Patton

TD pls reply

1355 16th Street South
Saint Petersburg, Fla 33705
October 3, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth St., N. W.
Atlanta, Ga. 30303

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OCT 5 - 1966

Dear Mr. Jordan:

I am certain that you have already heard about the unfortunate delay we encountered in receiving your letter of September 12, authorizing funds for a five-week registration program.

We will begin a one-week program today. However, almost all of the task force personnel, including the director, that had been recruited and briefed are not available to work now. Even though we are conducting a program for only one week, I assume that the approved budget will be prorated accordingly. This assumption is based on the telephone conversation with Mr. Wall and Mr. Olive on September 28.

Inclosed are three signature cards, one set of deposit blanks and a self-addressed envelope from the bank. Please place your corporate seal on the lower-left corner of the yellow card along with the appropriate signatures. You will also notice that one of the yellow signature cards have been designated as 'your copy'.

Since we are engaged in a one-week voter registration campaign, I plan to submit only one report. This report will include all of the pertinent information. But if additional reports are required, I feel certain that you will let us know.

Sincerely yours,

Israel L. Heard

Israel L. Heard
Chairman
Voter Registration Committee
NAACP, St. Petersburg Branch

CC:
Rev. J. L. Fennell

October 11, 1966

Mr. Marvin Davies, Esq.
State Field Director
National Association for the
Advancement of Colored People
1125 22nd Street, South
St. Petersburg, Florida

Dear Marvin:

This brief note is to thank you for everything during our brief stay in your city. Congradulation on the great service you are rendering your city and community.

Please convey to all members of your staff our sincere thanks.

May we continue to enjoy success in this and future efforts, and if you are ever in Atlanta, please give me a call.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 11, 1966

Mr. Israel L. Heard
Chairman
Voter Registration Committee
NAACP St. Petersburg Branch
1355 16th Street, South
Saint Petersburg, Florida

Dear Mr. Heard:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 3, to Mr. Jordan. We deeply regret the unfortunate delay in receiving our letter of September 12.

May I thank you again for your hospitality during our visit to your city.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 11, 1966

The First National Bank
St. Petersburg, Florida
P.O. Box 1689
St. Petersburg, Florida 33731

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $250.00 to be deposited to the account of the St. Petersburg Branch. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 11, 1966

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National Association for the
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Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 14, 1966

Mr. Israel L. Heard
Chairman
Voter Registration Committee
NAACP St. Petersburg Branch
1355 16th Street, South
Saint Petersburg, Florida

Dear Mr. Heard:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 9. Thank you very much for your report. Pursuant to the questions raised by you concerning the balance in your account, I see no reason why this should not remain in your account.

I read with interest the note from the Bank. This comes as a complete surprise to me; however, this Spring we shall comply with your request by funding your project early.

What happened in Florida (November 8)

For one week's activity, may we congradulate you and the members of your staff for a job well done.

If we can be of further assistance to you, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Maddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

22 February 1967

Mr. Israel L. Heard
Chairman
Voter Registration Committee
NAACP St. Petersburg Branch
1355 16th Street, S.
Saint Petersburg, Florida

Dear Mr. Heard:

Several months ago, I wrote you concerning the Spring funding of the St. Petersburg Project. The balance of your funds are still available, and I am writing to reestablish contact with you and other members of your branch. Could we have, at your convenience, the dates that you plan to conduct your project.this Spring. This information is necessary so that we will not have a repeat of last fall.

I trust that during the winter months, things have been well with you, and we look forward to working with you again real soon.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, JR.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO: pc

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THE FLORIDA NATIONAL BANK
AT ST. PETERSBURG

ADDRESS
P. O. BOX 1191

TELEPHONE
AREA CODE 813
896-5611

ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA 33731

April 19, 1968

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Attention: Mr. Thaddeus Olive, Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

Gentlemen:

In attention to your letter of April 17th (copy attached), we have forwarded your check to the First National Bank in St. Petersburg, Florida as the St. Petersburg Voter Registration Campaign account is maintained in that bank.

We trust you will change your records accordingly.

Yours very truly,

Henry C. Love

Henry C. Love
Assistant Vice-President

HCL:dfp

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
522-8764
PAUL ANTHONY
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

April 17, 1968

Florida National Bank
St. Petersburg, Florida

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $ 122.00 to be deposited to the account of the St. Petersburg Voter Registration Campaign.

Also enclosed are deposit slips.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

5 FORSYTH STREET, N.W. • ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303

JA 2-8764

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	DATE	AMOUNT
PAY INSURED 8040692 122 DOLS 00 CTS	4-17-68	$122.00

TO THE ORDER OF Florida National Bank

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.

Mildred M. Johnson
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR • ASSISTANT

Ruth House Alexander
SECRETARY • TREASURER

CITIZENS TRUST COMPANY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N.W.
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303

DETACH BEFORE DEPOSITING

INVOICE DATE	INVOICE NUMBER	ACCOUNT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
			To be deposited to the account of the St. Petersburg Voter Registration Campaign Account, VEP 68-10.	$122.00

THE REYNOLDS & REYNOLDS CO. DAYTON, OHIO LITHO IN U.S.A.

February 6, 1969

Mrs. Elenora Adams
Voter Reginstration Campaign
St. Petersburg Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 12752
St. Petersburg, Florida 33733

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Branch, NAACP

St. Petersburg
1,800.00

First National Bank

Janunry 31, 1969

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W. C. Patton

PROPOSAL FOR VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT
(N. A. A. C. P.)

2027 - 7th Avenue South

ST. PETERSBURG, PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA

GEOGRAPHY:

St. Petersburg is located in Pinellas County on the Central West Coast of Florida bordering the Gulf of Mexico. The City is built on a peninsula surrounded by deep salt water of Tampa Bay, making the location healthful and at the same time offering shipping and commercial advantages. St. Petersburg is 266 miles from Tallahassee, the capital of Florida and 259 miles from Miami, the largest city in Florida. The climate of St. Petersburg, because of its nearness to the Gulf Stream, is a mingling of sub-tropical and temperate. The average annual temperature maximum is 81.6 and the average annual minimum is 65.9 degrees. The average yearly rainfall is 53.65 inches. St. Petersburg is located at latitude 27 degrees, 47 minutes north and longitude 82 degrees, 38 minutes west.

HISTORY:

The history of St. Petersburg and surrounding area of Pinellas County is closely related to the struggles of France and Spain in their effort to conquer North America. St. Petersburg's name comes from one of the oldest great cities in the world - Russia's St. Petersburg, now Leningrad. When the Orange Belt Railroad was being extended down to this part of the coast in 1875, its president, Peter Demons, a Russian by birth who changed his own name from Demonschoff got the privileged of naming the city. He chose the name of his native city, St. Petersburg, Russia. Pinellas County was established May 23, 1911. The peninsula which forms the larger part of this county was known to the Spaniards as Punta Pinal, "Point of Pines", and thus its present name was fashioned.

HEALTH:

St. Petersburg and Pinellas County operates a consolidated Health Department, maintaining a staff director, doctor, dentists, and nurses; sanitary engineers, health and sanitary inspectors and specialist in various fields of health and sanitation control. St. Petersburg has 8 hospitals totaling 1, 916 beds. Its balmy breezes and natural beaches among other things make it a most pleasant haven. This has caused it to be almost as famous as the artic city of Peter the Great.

EDUCATION:

St. Petersburg has 73 public schools, 3 junior college campuses, 1 school

46 elementary and 6 special education schools. There are five private schools including a four year liberal arts college, a college of law and an academy for fifth grade through high school and 1 year post graduate. There are 3 business schools and 13 catholic parochial schools. St. Petersburg and her home county of Pinellas is well recognized in Florida for her educational system. In the year 1964-65 Pinellas County had 89,706 students [illegible] in its schools.

TRANSPORTATION:

Transportation is provided by two railway lines, airline service in St. Petersburg is presented by nine airlines. Transportation by bus is provided by two bus lines and one county bus line. Transportation is also supplied by seven truck lines, 5 freight forwarders, 1 express agency, 1 carloading service and domestic and foreign steamship companies.

INDUSTRY:

St. Petersburg has modern facilities for handling of general and bulk cargo, for import, export, and coast-wide shipments. The city ships fish, fruit and vegetables. St. Petersburg and surrounding counties involve themselves in manufacturing such as food and kindred products, printing and Publishing, and electric equipment; contract construction; transportation, communication, public utility, trade, finance, real estate, insurance, service and miscellaneous, and Government. The non-agricultural monthly employment for the county was 99,900 workers in 1965.

PUBLICITY:

The city's news media consist of two daily newspapers and two weekly papers, 8 radio stations, and 5 television stations. St. Petersburg is a nationally known tourist and winter resort center. St. Petersburg which is called"the Sunshine City" averages 360 sunny days per year. This brings many elderly people here for reasons of good health and retirement.

POPULATION AND LABOR:

The population of St. Petersburg in 1965 was 212,200. Negroes comprise about 13 per cent of the population. By 1970 the total population is expected to be 243,100. A recent survey of the city's poverty pockets, shows that better than 23.1 percent of the families in this area have a yearly income about 3,000 dollars. Also, 33.4 per cent makes below 2,000 a year, while 8.7 per cent earn less than 1,000 dollars per year. The prevailing wage is from 26 to 50 dollars for a 48 to 50 hours week. According to the survey, 56.8 per cent of the male heads of families education range is from the 6th to the 10th grade level. Negroes comprise the majority of the population in the "poverty pocket."

HOUSING:

St. Petersburg worst housing conditions are found in the southside Negro area where 50.5 per cent of the living units are substandard. It is also estimated that more than 40 per cent of the housing in two other major Negro sections are in similar conditions, while the "best" Negro area has 19.8 per substandard dwelling units.

POLITICAL BACKGROUND:

General complacency and an apathetic attitude which pervades in most of the Negro community is basically responsible for the lack of dynamic action in the politics of this city. Even though there is wide-spread apathy among Negroes where politics are concerned, a few aspirants have been ~~receiving~~ RUNNING periodically for elective offices since 1954.

Of of the first Negroes in modern history to run for an elective office in the state of Florida was the Reverend W. R. Johnson, a local Methodist minister. Reverend Johnson was a democrat and ran for a position on the County School Board in 1954. At that time, the Republican Party was the majority in terms of the power structure in the County. The estimated number of registered Democrats was only 1850. Reverend Johnson was elimated in the first primary after receiving a total of 5927 votes.

In 1960, Mrs. C. Bette Wimbish, a Democrat, also sought a seat on the School Board. She received 10,107 votes but was defeated in the first primary. The number of registered Negro-Democrats had increased from the 1954 figure to 3,798.

During the municipal election in March of 1963, Attorney I. W. Williams, ran for seat on the City Council. In this election Attorney Williams, a Republican, received the endorsement of the City's major news daily - The St. Petersburg Times. In the first primary, Williams managed to mass enough votes to gain a position in the runnoff. But in the runoff his opponent received 19,200 votes while Williams received 14, 327. The number of Negroes registered as Republican was 1,105.

Attorney Williams was also a candidate for the State Legislature during the primary election held in 1964. This time he as not endorsed by any of the local papers and was defeated in the first primary as he garnered 15,060 votes. The record showed that 1,440 Negroes were registered as Republicans.

In the recently concluded 1966 primary, more political enthusiasm was generated among Negroes than any previous time in local history. Two candidates for the State Legislature from the Negro community sought a place on the ballot for the

for the November general-election.

Attorney Williams ran again under the Republican banner and Attorney Frank W. Peterman was a Democratic candidate. Peterman was successful in defeating his opponent in the runoff and will be his party's choice for the House of Representatives from District 9.

Peterman received a total of 23,616 votes and his opponent lost with 16,179. Attorney Peterman, who now faces a Republican in the forthcoming general election was endorsed by The St. Petersburg Times during the primary. Williams failed to survive the first primary.

When the books were closed for the primary a total of 9670 Negroes were registered as Democrats in Pinellas County. Eighty per cent of this number is considered the total for St. Petersburg. Also the books revealed that the number of registered Negro Republican was 1,380. The estimated number of Negroes purged from the roll stood at 1500 which included 250 Republicans.

According to a recent estimate, there are more than 6000 Negroes eligible to register in St. Petersburg. The main objective of this proposed Voter Registration Drive is to add 4,000 new voters to the roll.

SUPPORTING ORGANIZATION:

The members of the local Non-Partisan Voter League have voted unanimously to actively support this proposed Voter Registration Project. League members will furnish all the transportation requirements necessary to support the drive. The Non-Partisan Voter League will also conduct a Voter Education Program to compliment the proposed registration campaign.

EXHIBIT NO. 1

METHODS

1. Recruit and select a total of 12 precinct canvassers.

2. Conduct an eight-hour orientation and familiarization program.

3. Utilize all available sources including the local newspapers and periodic church announcements to publicize the Voter Registration Drive.

4. Obtain the names of all persons purged but have not re-registered from the Supervisor of Registration to establish a "known prospect" list in each precinct.

5. Utilize the current precinct lists of all persons registered in conjunction with current copies of the city directory and compile additional lists of "known prospects".

6. Utilize the block concept in amethodical fashion and make certain that each "known prospect" and every other unregistered person is contacted by door-to-door canvass. Make an all out effort to register all eligible persons.

7. Compile and record every single contact with all of the pertinent date on a daily basis.

8. Furnish names of all persons desiring transportation to the registration office to certain members of the Non-Partisan Voter League. Provide continuous liaison with Voter League members to make certain that timely transportation is provided for all persons.

9. Station one person in the lobby of the County Building to encourage everyone, who is not registered, to register who enter the building on routine business matters.

10. Solicit maximum cooperation from all fraternal, civic, social, professional and religious groups to make the Voter Registration Drive both effective and successful.

EXHIBIT NO. 2

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

1. EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES AND SERVICES

Office Rent (2 months)		$30.00
Telephone		153.24*
Deposit	$100.00	
Installation	17.00	
Service Charge (2 months)	36.24	
Typewriter Rental Fee (2 months)		16.00
2 desk - Table, Rental Fee (2 months)		24.00
		$ 223.24

2. OFFICE SUPPLIES

Mimeo Paper, legal size - 5 reams	10.50
Mimeo paper, 8½ x 11 - 5 reams	8.75
Stencils, 2 quires	7.20
Manila Folders, legal size, 1 bx.	4.60
Manila Folder, letter size - 1 bx.	3.75
Paper, Bond - 1 ream	3.25
Paper, Carbon - 1 pkg.	.95
Paper, Onionskin 1 pkg.	1.25
Dri-Fast, Mimeo Ink, 2 cans	5.00
Mimeo Ink Pads - 4	1.40
Stamps, Postage	2.00
Envelopes - 1 bx.	6.95
Display Cardboard, 1 dz.	4.50
Multi-color ink markers	3.25
Miscellaneous Office items	15.00
	$ 78.35

3. STAFF

Director - 6 weeks @ $50.00 per week	$300.00
Secretary - 6 weeks @ $40.00 per week	240.00
12 Precinct Canvassers 5 weeks @ $314.70 per week	1573.50**
	$2113.50

4. TRANSPORTATION ***

GRAND TOTAL $2415.09

* The deposit money will be returned 30 days after termination of service. Cost of long distance calls are not included.

** A total of 12 workers, each working 21 hours per week at 1.25 per hour would equal to a weekly combined salary of $314.70. Each one of these workers will work from 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The schedule each Saturday will be from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Also, each worker will attend an orientation and familarization program for a total of eight hours. But the worker will only be paid for four hours of his attendance.

*** All transportation needed for registration purposes will be furnished by the Non-Partisan Voters League.

EXHIBIT NO. 3

SUPERVISOR OF REGISTRATION OFFICE HOURS

REGULAR HOURS:

Monday thru Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Closed on Saturdays

SPECIAL HOURS - Weekdays

On September 12th, 16th, 19th and 23rd the office will be opened from 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

SPECIAL HOURS - Saturdays

On September 10, 17, 24 and October 1, the office will be opened from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

On October 8, (the last day of registration before the General Election - November 8) the office will be opened from 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE: All registration is accomplished in the office of the Supervisor of registration which is located in the County Building. They are not Branch registration offices.

COUNTY	TOTAL ADULT POPULATION - 1966 ALL	WHITE	NEGRO	ADULTS REGISTERED ALL	WHITE	NEGRO	DISTRIBUTION OF NEGRO POP.	% NEGRO REG.	% WHITE REG.	NEGRO UNREG.	WHITE UNREG.	NEGRO MEDIAN INCOME	NUMBER OF FAMILIES UNDER 3,000 WHITE	NEGRO
Alachua	51,543	39,719	11,824	30,981	24,470	6,1[illegible]	27%	49%	80%	5,694	15,249	1,016	2,666	2,655
Baker	4,726	3,762	964	3,999	3,445	554	22%	55%	90%	410	317	[illegible],161	537	172
Bradford	8,100	6,466	1,634	5,793	4,897	892	23%	56%	77%	742	1,569	991	771	333
Calhoun	4,844	4,152	692	4,070	4,444	378	16%	55%	[illegible]	314	[illegible]	1,250	864	147
Clay	12,735	11,217	1,518	10,456	9,415	1,009	14%	66%	85%	509	1,802	1,140	1,123	314
Columbia	13,107	9,384	3,723	11,193	8,652	2,540	32%	67%	90%	1,183	732	898	1,107	887
Dixie	4,477	8,829	648	3,146	2,776	370	15%	45%	80%	278	1,061	924	511	0
Franklin	4,532	3,658	874	3,955	3,418	536	21%	69%	75%	338	240	757	714	213
Gadsen	27,856	12,961	14,895	10,575	6,318	4,224	59%	27%	77%	10,671	6,643	773	978	3,025
Gilchrist	1,955	1,773	182	1,847	1,738	109	12%	55%	90%	73	47	--	442	--
Hamilton	4,937	2,946	1,991	3,770	2,679	1,086	45%	54%	90%	905	267	829	453	529
Jackson	24,120	17,289	6,831	14,885	11,327	3,501	31%	51%	65%	3,330	5,962	769	2,691	1,770
Jefferson	5,907	2,721	3,186	4,010	2,466	1,537	59%	48%	80%	1,649	255	880	324	792
Lafayette	1,979	1,801	178	1,869	1,765	102	12%	58%	90%	76	36	880	331	--
Leon	50,938	35,345	15,593	32,600	25,160	7,191	33%	52%	90%	8,402	15,249	1,148	1,615	2,882
Levy	6,968	5,116	1,852	4,266	3,714	534	39%	25%	78%	1,322	1,402	815	825	548
Liberty	2,061	1,776	285	2,228	2,070	154	15%	53%	-	131	--	-	367	----
Madison	8,951	5,132	3,819	6,271	4,248	2,023	40%	47%	82%	1,796	884	792	809	1,053
Nassau	10,731	8,227	2,504	7,156	5,677	1,479	23%	70%	80%	1,029	2,550	1,017	785	524
Putnam	20,944	14,946	5,998	11,191	9,045	2,046	32%	33%	80%	3,952	2,146	1,019	1,545	1,478
Swannee	10,035	7,748	2,557	6,471	5,481	1,082	22%	45%	72%	1,475	1,997	1,063	1,507	1,064
Taylor	8,331	6,353	1,978	6,378	5,462	939	25%	50%	95%	1,039	891	677..	1,239	701
Union	4,511	3,278	1,233	2,270	2,047	171	27%	14%	70%	962	1,231	847	313	132
Wakulla	5,255	3,755	1,500	3,283	2,672	630	28%	42%	70%	870	472	390	277	667

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Corrected Copy

APPLICATION FOR VOTER
EDUCATION PROJECT GRANT

RECEIVED
JUN 27 1966

APPLICANT:
BIG BEND VOTER EDUCATION
AND ANTI-POVERTY CAMPAIGN, INC.
403 NORTH McCOMB ST.
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32301
PHONE: 224-0317, 222-2317
Quincy, 627-3077

SPONSORS:
SPIVER GORDON,
FIELD SECRETARY
CORE
JOHN DUE,
PROMOTER

A. PROPOSAL

This is a proposal seeking a grant for a voter education project to operate in North Florida three programs: Voter Registration, Citizenship Education, and Leadership Training.

This applicant is a non-profit corporation, organized under the Anti-poverty laws, and is the Big Bend Voter Education Campaign organized in 1964 by Patricia Stephens Due, a former CORE field secretary, to carry on a Voter Education Project under the auspices of CORE and Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council. Whereas, in 1964, the Big Bend Voter Education Campaign was an Advisory Board to assist CORE in Voter Registration, this association is now an independent entity, organized and reorganized to carry out Voter Education Project and Anti-Poverty programs, and whose board is composed of community leaders who actively have been engaged in Voter Registration, Anti-Poverty problems, and Civil Rights Projects.

B. KIND OF PROGRAM

1. Area Proposed.

The proposed area is the Second Congressional District. This area is in the Big Bend area of North Florida, along with South-East Alabama and South-West Georgia, is a Black-Belt area.

It is comprised of 24 counties which are low density with only three having a 50,000+ population, Leon, Alachua., and Gadsden.

The areas for Program execution are sub-areas which shall be worked by the following associations and groups which are working jointly with or affiliated to the Big Bend Voters Education and Anti-Poverty Campaign, Inc.

a. Project East:

Sub-agents:
Voter's for Equal Rights, Gainesville and Seagle Foundation, Gainesville and Jacksonville S.C.L.C.

Sub-areas:
Alachua County Area
Putnam County Area
CUBB Area
(Clay, Union, Baker, Bradford)
Lower Suwanee Area
(Levy, Dixie, Gilchrist)

b. Upper Suwanee River Project:

Sub-agents
Suwanee County Voter's League
Columbia County Civic League
Hamilton County Improvement Association

John D. Due, Jr.
540½ West Brevard St.
Tallahassee, Fla.

Sub-areas
Upper Suwanee River Project
Columbia County
Hamilton County
Lafayette County
Suwanee County

c. Tri-County Project:

Sub-agents
Tri-County Improvement Association
Jefferson County Voter's League

Sub-areas
Taylor County
Jefferson County
Madison County

d. Leon-Wakulla Project:

Sub-agents:
Spiver Gordon (C.O.R.E.)
Inter-Civic-Council (An S.C.C.C. affiliate)

Sub-areas
Leon County
Wakulla County

e. Upper Suwanee River Project:

Sub-agents:
Big Bend Voter Education and Anti-Poverty Campaign, Inc.

Sub-areas:
Columbia County
Hamilton County
Lafayette County
Suwanee County

f. Gadsden County Area:

Sub-agent:
Gadsden Civic Interest Group

Sub-areas:
Gadsden County
Liberty County

g. Jackson-Calhoun Project

Sub-agent:
Jackson County Civic Interest Group

Sub-areas:
Jackson County
Calhoun County

2. What Justifies the need for the Program?

This area in Florida has been popularly described by newspapers as the "Pork-Chop" area, as opposed to "Lamb-Chop" area, such as Miami and St. Petersburg.

This "Pork-Chop" area is identified economically, socially, politically, psychologically with the areas of South-East Alabama and South-West Georgia,

with the results of "most intense opposition to civil rights, traditional loyalty to the historic Democratic Party, and a high proportion of Negro population," and other matters reactionary, as described by Hugh D. Price in the Negro and Southern Politics.

Before reapportionment this area of Florida and its Pork-Choppers controlled Florida politics and the Legislature, with no benefit to the people.

The average median income of the Negro in Florida is $935 per year, but there are more white families (23,437) than Negro families (20,215) making under $3,000 per year.

3. What are its Goals?

The goal of this program is to remedy the "most intense opposition to civil rights" and to achieve for the Negro groups in North Florida equal opportunity and equal benefits.

By means of a program of citizenship education, it is hoped that the above purposes can be attained by developing a Negro registration percentage which is equal to the white registration percentage. But, most importantly, it is also necessary that the Negro electorate be educated and informed in the use of this vote.

Therefore, the third goal is to avoid and to destroy those circumstances which defraud the Negro of the use of the vote.

4. What Methods will be Used?

The methods which shall be used will be consistent with the method described in the Big Bend Voter Education and Anti-Poverty Campaign, Inc., and Civic Interest Group, Gadsden County, Non-profit, Non-political corporations organized pursuant to U.S. Anti-Poverty laws:

> Conducting Educational and Research Programs to stimulate learning and awareness among all citizens of the need for civic responsibility, duty of citizenship, and to inform as to issues, questions, parties, and political candidates which affect citizenship, and knowledge of civic government.

C. WHERE?

The general area is that of the Second Congressional District. Four state senatorial districts at large are also based on the same area as the Congressional District.

The sub-area boundaries are those of the local community action agencies under the Economic Opportunity Act rather than those of the House of Representative Districts. Only under the Economic Opportunity Law is it affirmatively declared that minority groups and persons to be served must be allowed to participate in the operation of the Law. This is the next goal of this Project.

D. WHO ARE THE PROGRAM PERSONNEL AND WHAT ARE THEIR DUTIES?

1. Director and Co-ordinator of resident participation.

a. Description

The Project Director and co-ordinator of resident participation will be the chief administrator and staff director of the project.

-He or she will bear the primary responsibility for the recruitment and initial training of the following co-ordinators:

1. Program Co-ordinator
2. Research Co-ordinator
3. Voter Education Anti-Poverty Co-ordinators
4. Area Co-ordinators
5. VEAP Workers

Furthermore, he will supervise and direct the recruitment, and initial training, of all other members of the staff, and the area service training will be conducted under his direction. He or she will be responsible for establishing inter-personal communication within the staff, for inspiring the staff to function as a unified team, and for seeing that all staff members carry out their duties in a way which develop maximum interest, co-operation, and participation in a neighborhood residents.

b. Personnel

John Due, Florida counsel for the Scholarship Education and Defense Fund For Racial Equaltiy, and the organizer for the Big Bend Voter Education and Anti-Poverty Campaign, and Spiver Gordon, Field Secretary for CORE, shall serve as Co-directors without pay until a director is found.

2. Program Director

a. Description

The Program Director shall develop material, leaflets, and programs to be used in Voter Registration and Citizenship Education and Leadership Training.

Specifically, forms and booklets should be designed for citizenship Education Classes, Public Relations, and Community Education to be used in all forms of publicity media.

b. Personnel

Mr. Paul Hahn, former Professor at the University of Florida, Anthropology and Psychology, active in Civil Rights in Gainsville, and program developer for Gainsville Voters For Equal Rights and drew a proposal for Neighborhood Associations which have adopted in the local Community Action Agency of Alachua County, as a person most qualified to serve as program director.

3. Research Co-ordinator

a. Description

The Research Co-ordinator is to work closely with the Project Director and Program Co-ordinator to study reports from the Field Staff in order to gather statical information. Also, from

other primary sources of information he or she shall gather information to best determine the best methods of Voter Registration. Also, the Research Co-ordinator shall assist the Program Director to develop programs in the area of Citizenship Education and Leadership Training.

b. Personnel

Mrs. Paul Hahn, the other half of a husband - wife team, who is experienced in handling statistics in Political Campaign in the State of Florida.

4. Voter Education and Anti-Poverty Co-ordinator.

a. Description

The Voter Education and Anti-Poverty Co-ordinators are to execute the programs in the project area, to develop interest co-operation, and participation by the neghborhood and community groups, and to provide information to organize meeting discussion groups, in the areas of Citizenship and Anti-Poverty Program.

b. Personnel

Mrs. Patricia Due, originator of the Big Bend Voter Education Campaign, and Gadsden C.I.G., and as a CORE Secretary and suported by Southern Regional Council Voter Education Project, achieved a Voter Registration Program in Gadsden County of 4500 Negroes from 500.

Mr. LeVert Taylor, a Field Director, Florida Council Of Human Relations, National Sharecroppers Fund, and Southern Regional Council, will work closely with Mrs. Patricia Due particular in the areas of Anti-Poverty. And broadly supervising and directing the V.A.P. Workers, will establish and make functional Neighborhood Organizations and other organized groups, he work these groups,

5. Area Co-ordinators:

a. Working closely with other members of the staff, he will establish and make functional neighborhood organizations and other organized groups and will assist the development of programs where there are existing established voter groups.

b. Personnel

The Area Co-ordinators are:

1. Project East Area Co-ordinator

Albert Daniels, Vice President of Voters For Equal Rights, Gainsville.

Moses Davis, prisident of Jacksonville Christain Leadership Conference, active in proposed area for the John Due for Senate Campaign.

Richard Jenkins, shall assist in this area full time until a third Co-ordinator is found and trained. He is a former Field Worker for the Florida NAACP responsible for 200% increase in Negro Voters Registration in Lake City, and resides in Union County.

2. Upper Swanee River Area Coordinator
Mr. Richard Jenkins

3. Tri-County Project Coordinator

Mrs. Grace Hardy, who is very active in Voter Registration in Jefferson County. She is the Secretary to the Jefferson County Voter's League.

Mr. Robert Smith, instructor in Sociology and active in Tallahassee Council of Human Relations, Co-chairman for Leon-Wakulla Co-ordinator.

Mr. Edward Howard. He is and has been a very strong worker in Voters Registration on behalf of the community crusade, a local Voter Registration Group formally identified with the Voter Registration Program of the Tallahassee NAACP. He is a schoolteacher.

4. Gadsden County Area Project Coordinator. The order is to be designated by the C.I.G. of Gadsden County.

5. Jackson-Calhoun Project Coordinator. The person is to be designated by the C.I.G. of Jackson County.

6. Administrative Staff.

a. Executive Assistants. The executive assistants shall assist the director in administrative control of the project. This responsibility entails controlling, financial reporting, receipts, deposits and disbursements and voucher forwarding. Also, responsibility relates to overall essential control and operation of the office.

b. Personnel.

Mrs. Ruth Berg, former campaign treasurer of John Due for Senate Campaign and active in the Florida Civil Liberties Union.

7. The VEAP Worker

a. Description. The VEAP field workers, under the direction of the Area Coordinators, are to serve in the hard work of canvassing areas, conducting community surveys, and to make contacts in the communities, for the purpose of soliciting, initiating volunteer and self-help programs. An incident to this purpose is to organize meetings in the areas both large massive rallies and discussion groups. The VEAP worker shall be trained to provide information and advice, but not to provide leadership; such leadership should always come from the volunteer workers in the community. This also means that responsibility must at all times be directed from within the community.

Initially, some VEAP workers may be college students from outside the areas. At all times, effort must be made to use workers from within the community in order to achieve permanent involvement of the community in their own needs.

b. Personnel. At the present time, recruitment of the VEAP workers is not completed.

It is hoped that at least one . . . . worker can be recruited for each one thousand persons to be registered. Preliminary orientation of the V.A.P. workers shall be done by the National Scholarship Educational Defense Fund for Racial Equality, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, CORE, National Sharecropper's Fund, and the National Urban League.

E. EXPECTED COST OF THE PROPOSAL (15 weeks - 3 months).

1. Central Office (540 1/2 W. Brevard Street, Tallahassee, Fla.

Staff:

Director @ $100.00 per week	$1500
Program Coordinator @ $75.00 per week	1125
Research Coordinator @75.00 per week	1125
Administrative Assistant @ $75.00 per week	1125
Voter Education & Anti-Poverty Coordinator @ $75.00 per week	1125
Office Rent @ $100.00 per month	300
Office Telephone @ $200.00 per month	300
Office Utilities @ $30.00 per month	90
Office Supplies @ $300.00 per month	900
	$7880

2. Project East.

Nassau - Goal for Registration	1000
SUUB	2500
Putnam	3500
Alachua	5000
Lower Suwanee	1900
	13900

Staff:

3 coordinators @ $50.00 week	1950
14 V.E.A.P. workers @ $25.00 week	5250
1 Associate Research @ $25.00 week	375
1 Secretary @ $25.00 week	375

Office

Gainesville Office Rent @ $100 per month	300
Telephone @ $100 per month	300
Utilities @ $30 per month	90

Office Supplies and Postage for materials @ $200 per month	600
SUUB Office @ $100 per month	300
Putnam Office @ $100 per month	300
Nassau Office @ $100 per month	300
Automobiles	
8 cars	
4 @ $50 per week for gas, oil and rental	3000
4 @ 108 X 600 miles X 15	3550
	$10680

3. Upper Suwanee River Project

Counties	Registration Goal
Columbia	1000
Hamilton	800
Lafayette	100
Suwanee	1400
	3300

Expenses:	
1 Coordinator @ $50.00 per week	$ 750
3 VEAP workers @ $25.00 per week	1125
Office and utilities @ $50.00 per month	150
Telephone @ $25.00 per month	75
Office Supplies @ $25.00 per month	75
Automobiles	
1 rent @ $50 per, including gas and oil	750
1 car at .08 at 300 miles at 15 weeks	360
	$3210

4. Tri-County Project.

Counties	Registration Goal
Taylor	1000
Jefferson	1500
Madison	1700
	4250

Staff:	
1 coordinator @ $50.00 per week	$ 750
4 VEAP workers @ $25.00 per week	1500
Office, Utilities and expenses @ $50.00 per month	300

Telephone @ $25.00 per month	150
Office Supplies @ $25.00 per week	75
Automobiles:	
1 rent at $50 per week	750
2 cars at .08 at 300 miles at 15 weeks	750
	$4245

5. Leon-Wakulla County Project

Counties	Registration Goal
Leon	8250
Wakulla	50
	8300

Staff:	
1 Coordinator @ $50.00 per week	$ 750
3 field workers @ $25.00 per week	3000
Office, utilities, paper (Share Big Bend Voter Education and Anti-Poverty)	
Automobiles	
6 cars at $50.00 per week and oil and rental	4500
	$8250

6. Gadsden-Liberty County Project.

Counties	Registration Goal
Gadsden	10,200
Liberty	50
	10,250

Staff:	
1 coordinator @ $50 per week	$ 750
10 VEAP workers @ $25 per week	3750
Office, utilities and expenses @ $50 per month	300
Office Supplies @ $25 per month	75
Telephone @ $50 per month	150
Automobiles:	
6 cars at $50 per week	4500
	$9525

7. Jackson-Calhoun County Project.

Counties	Registration Goal
Jackson	3150
Calhoun	350
	3500

Staff:	
1 coordinator @ $50.00 per week	$ 750
2 VEAP workers @ $25.00 per week (plus one VEAP worker from Gadsden Project	750
Office, utilities, and expenses @ $50.00 per week	300
Telephone @ $25.00 per month	75
Office Supplies at $25.00 per month	75
Automobiles: 3 cars at $50 per month and gas and oil	1500
	$3455
TOTAL BUDGET FOR PROJECT	$40235

F. TIME

What is anticipated duration of the procedure?

The Program is designed for initial period of 15 weeks or 3 months, from June 2, 1966, and including the week of October 2, 1966, for VEAP financing. It is hoped that the demonstration of this Program shall be the basis of a year-round Voter Education and Citizenship Training Project.

a. Background.

On May 24, 1966, Mayor Robert King High of Miami was nominated to be the Democratic Party candidate for Governor over the incumbent Governor Hayden Burns, (who has served only 2 years) by more than a 80,000 vote margin over more than a million votes cast.

High was defeated by more than 700,000 votes in 1964 by Burns. Then, High ran as a "liberal" and Burns ran as a Segregationist. Then, Scott Kelly, in the First Primary, ran as a Segregationist, whose votes then went to Burns, in the Second Primary.

In 1966, High ran as a "conservative" in fiscal matters, mentioned race relations not at all. Kelly did not mention race except to state he was for "human relations", and Burns pointed to his appointment of 12 Negroes in high state capacities, more than any governor since reconstruction. In the First Primary Burns was looking for 50% of the Negro vote, spent tremendous sums of money to certain Negro churches, Bishops, etc. He received only 32.1/2%.

In the Second Primary Kelly "endorsed" High and after being accused by Burns in demanding $500,000 for Kelly to endorse Burns, Kelly being typically

Irish, replied by campaigning "hard" for High. Burns raised here the Race Bugaboo--that NAACP Roy Wilkins and Adam Clayton Powell endorsed "High" and distributed cards in the white neighborhoods showing two Kings, High and Martin Luther, Jr., and the Joker, Robert Kennedy.

The Project area--North Florida--voted approximately 60% of the registered vote. The Negro voted 40% in the First Primary (of 38,000 Negroes registered. John Due received 14,000 votes). In the Second Primary the Negro voted 60% of the potential vote in urban areas, but fell down to about 40% in the rural areas.

It is therefore important that, along with voter registration extensional citizenship education be employed to educate the Negro to vote.

Other than Gainesville, Tallahassee, Lake City, Palatka, and Marianna, where registration books will be opened five days a week, books will be opened only one day a week in each of the counties of the Project areas until September when the books will be opened six days a week. The hours opened are the common "business hours".

In summary, at this juncture in the Negro vote in Florida, it is a critical period as to whether the ideal is to be satisfied, or whether the Negro vote shall be abused similar to its abuse by Northern machines. This Project will hold the answer.

July 14, 1966

Mr. Walter B. Kyle
President
Pensacola Improvement Association
3420 Pinestead Road
Pensacola, Florida

Dear Mr. Kyle:

In his letter of July 8, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program began July 11, we will need reports from you on July 25, August 8, August 22 and September 5.

In addition, we will need two narrative reports from you one on August 8 and another on September 9, after your program has been completed. These longer reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, number of workers used, and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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JUL 16 1966

SUGGESTED ALTERNATIVE:
VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

TO: Vernon Jordon, 5 Forsyth Street, Atlanta, Georgia

FROM: John Due, 540½ W. Brevard Street, Talllahassee, Florida

RE: Big Ben Voter Education and Anti-Poverty Campaign, Phones: Tallahassee- 224-0317 222-2317, Quincy 627-3077.

I. KIND OF PROGRAM AND WHERE:

The program is to conduct citizenship education and voter registration for eight (8) to ten (10) weeks in twelve (12) North Florida counties which constitute the major counties in North Florida composing the Second Congressional District, each with a large number of unregistered non-White, as compared to White.

THEY ARE:

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The design for program execution calls for each of the counties to be placed in areas as described in the original application, to be directed by an area co-ordinator.

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Area VI - Madison, Jefferson, Taylor

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II. The program is designed for ten (10) weeks, July 31, 1966, thru October 8, 1966, but it is hoped to be continued on a year-round basis.

Expected Budget for Voter Education Grant

1. Honorariums

1 Director @50	$500.00
6 Co-ordinators @ 25	$2500.00
20 VEAP Workers @ 10	$2000.00

2. Offices Expenditures

VEP to pay the initial expenses, rent, telephone, consumable supplies.	$100.00

3. Travel Costs

VEP to pay the initial travel expenses for Director and 6 Co-ordinators at .08 per mile.	$900.00
	$6000.00

BACKSGROUND:
See original application

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III. BUDGET

COST CATEGORY	ESTIMATED COST
A. PERSONNEL (Who? See original application)	
No. of Positions	Salary
2 Co-ordinators (without pay - see original application)	
1 Program Director	800.00
1 Field Co-ordinator	800,00
6 Area Co-ordinators	2400.00
20 Task Force Workers (1 for each 2,000 unregistered Negroes)	4000.00
B. TRAVEL	
16.5 Cars: To carry 39,600 unregistered Negroes to the polls, or each car to carry 5 unregistered persons, average 7½ miles for each person, 10 trips for each of 40 days, at 8¢ per mile	12,672.00
C.	
C. CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	
½ sheet for 40,000 for 8 weeks, 640 reams @ $2.25, and 10¢ for a run of a 1,000 each for 40,000 copies	870.000
D. OTHER EXPENSES	
Field Director, Program Director, 6 Area Co-ordinators to be given $20.00, a week for Expenses: Telephone, space cost, travel expenses, purchases pursuant to project.	640.00
TOTAL COST	$26,682.00

IV. BACKGROUND:
See original application

540 1/2 W. Brevard St.
Tallahassee, Florida

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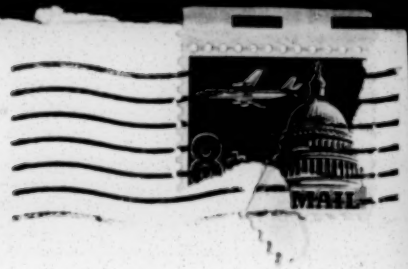

AIR MAIL

Mr. Vernon Jordan
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

AMENDED APPLICATION
17 July 1966
VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

TO: Mr. Vernon Jordon; 5 Forsyth Street, Atlanta, Georgia; & Members of VEAP--The Big Bend Voters Education & Anti-Poverty Campaign

FROM: John Due; 540½ W. Brevard Street, Tallahassee, Florida
Big Bend Voter Education & Anti Poverty Campaign
Phones: Tallahassee 224-0317, 222-2317
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III. EXPECTED BUDGET FOR VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT GRANT

A. HONORARIUMS $4000.00

To be distributed among a director, 6 area co-ordinators and 20 VEAP task force workers. Propose that the director receives $50.00, co-ordinators to vary from $50.00 to $25.00 or volonteer, and VEAP task force workers to vary from $10.00 to volonteer.

B. OFFICE EXPENDITURES $1000.00

VEP to expend for initial expenses, rent, telephone, and consumable supplies.

C. TRAVEL COSTS $1000.00

VEP to pay the initial travel expenses for all VEAP task force workers at .08¢ per mile.

TOTAL $6000.00

Scholarship, Education and Defense Fund for Racial Equality
150 Nassau Street
New York, New York 10038

TO: Citizenship Education Workshop Participants

FROM: Ronnie M. Moore, Leadership Development Director

RE: Final Workshop Plans

The faculty at the Citizenship Education Workshop will consist of the following individuals:

Deverne Calloway, Member of Missouri State Legislature
Earl Davis, Staff Representative, Committee on Political Education
Nils R. Douglas, Candidate for the House of Representatives, State of Louisiana, May, 1966
W. W. Harleaux, Candidate for the School Board, Iberville Parish, Louisiana, 1964
Norman Hill, Legislative Representative, Industrial Division, AFL-CIO
Vernon Jordan, Executive Director, Voter Education Project
August Meier, Historian, Roosevelt University, Chicago, Ill.
Leon Shull, Executive Director, American for Democratic Action
Sterling Stuckey, Historian
Percy Sutton, Assemblyman, State of New York
Marian Wright, Mississippi Counsel, NAACP Legal Defense Fund, Inc.

The workshop will be held July 20- 24, 1966 at Penn Community Center, Frogmore, South Carolina, telephone #803-524-4337. Attached is the first draft of our workshop agenda. If you have any questions, contact me at once.

Enthusiasm is mounting concerning the workshop. Five minutes ago, Mr. Kent Gibson, candidate for Mayor, city of Newark, N.J., May'66, agreed to participate at the workshop as a resource person.

We shall pay for room and board and automobile travel at 5¢ per mile.

7-8-66

ANTICIPATED DISTRIBUTION
OF $6000 VEP GRANT
AMONG 12 COUNTIES

AREAS	NOT REG.	REG.	REGIST. GOAL	SHARE
AREA I				
GADSDEN	10,671	4,224.	7,500	$1500
AREA II				
LEON	8,402	7,191	6,000	$1200
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AREA IV				
ALACHUA	5,694	6,100		
PUTNAM	3,952	2046	(8,500)	($1700)
LEVY	1,322	534		
AREA V				
COLUMBIA	1,188	2,540		
SUWANEE	1,475	1,082	(2,500)	($500)
HAMILTON	950	1,086		
AREA VI				
MADISON	1,796	2,023		
Jefferson	1,649	1,537	(3,000)	($600)
Taylor	1,039	939		
TOTAL	41,468	~~32,803~~ 32,803	30,000	$6000

Letter # 2
Big Bend Voter Education
And Anti-Poverty Campaign
July 17, 1966

TO: _____

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FROM: John D. Due

RE: Atlanta Voter Education Project Grant

I am happy to inform you that I feel certain that we shall be approved by the Voter Education Project to spend their $6000 in 12 counties.

The proposed distribution in your area is enclosed. Also is a copy of amended application with budget, along with statistical information.

When we receive our grant letter this week, we shall hold our organization meeting July 30 at a place to be designated.

At that time, it will be decided how to supplement our funds with contributions, and permanent co-ordinators and workers shall be named.

Also you may have been contacted by Spiver Gordon to participate in a workshop in Frogmore South Carolina. If you can participate, please contact: Spiver Gordon, Johnny Watson, or myself. Enclosed is information regarding the citizenship education workshop.

Yours truly,

John D. Due

Enclosure 6

jlw:JDD

Big Bend Voters Education &
Anti-Poverty Campaign
540½ West Brevard Street
Tallahassee, Florida
Phones: 222-2317
224-0317
627-3077 (Quincy)

APPLICATION FOR FIELD WORKER IN VEAP TASK FORCE

1. Name_____Telephone_____Race____Sex____

2. Permanent Address_____City_____State_____

3. Present Mailing Address_____City_____State_____

4. Date of Birth_____Marital Status_____Soc. Sec._____

5. Employers (Past & Present)Dates_____Position_____

_____+_____ _____ _____

_____ _____ _____

6. If accepted, I prefer not to work outside my community: Yes_____ No_____

7. I will be available part-time during the hours _____on _____days of the week.

8. I or my family earns less than $3000 per year: Yes_____No_____

9. I can work without financial assistance: Yes_____No_____
I need some financial assistance: Yes____No_____. I Need scholarship assistance: Yes_____No_____.

10. Do you have a car you can use on the project? Yes____No_____

11. I will be available from _____to_____(give month, year).

12. I believe in VEAP's-- the Big Bend's Voters Education & Anti-Poverty Campaign---against racism and poverty and I hereby apply for participation in the Task Force. I understand that arrest or injury to me might result, and that by signing this application, I waive all rights to damages against VEAP, its directors, its officers, and all others in any way connected with the task force.

Signed_____
(applicant)

Signed_____Parent or legal guardian must sign if applicant is under 21 years of age

Address_____

_____Phone_____

540½ W. Brevard St.

TO
UFO-87

August 3, 1966

Mr. Paul Hahn
Director
Big Bend Voter Education and
Anti-Poverty Campaign, Inc.
403 North McComb Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Dear Mr. Hahn:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Big Bend Voter Education and Anti-Poverty Campaign for a grant to conduct voter registration, citizenship education, and leadership training progams in those agreed upon twelve counties in Tallahassee, Florida. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $6,000.00 to run for a period of ten weeks, from August 15 to October 15, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to ten weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary @$50.00 per week	$ 500.00
b)	Secretary @$35.00 " "	350.00
c)	(15) Task Force Workers (@ $15.00 per week)	2,250.00
d)	Office Rent	150.00
e)	Materials	225.00
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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

Miss Daisy Young,(President)
Crusade for Voter
1314 Pinellas St.
Tallahassee, Fla.

VEAP Campaign, Inc.
540½ W. Brevard St
Tallahassee, Fla.
Phones: 222-2317
222-2316
657-3077

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Dear Miss Young,

It has come time that we must unite the total community of Leon County together. It is necessary that this be done in despite of the many factions that exist.

In order to establish a better working relationship with all the existing factions of Leon County, we must sit down and began at some mutal point.

We will honor your assistance in an effort to help establish this type of working organization that frogets about the MANY DIFFERENCES AND WORK ONLY FOR A BETTER AND MORE "CIVIC-MINDED PEOPLE IN LEON COUNTY.

Please note, as an initial step, we are calling a meeting Saturday, August 6, 1966 at the Florida Education Association Building on West Georgia Street. The meeting will began at 1:00p. m. and schedule to last thru 6:00 p.m;. Your presence and assistance is greatly desired.

Yours for a more informed community.

I remain
John Due

jd/vj

August 11, 1966

Mr. Paul Hahn, Director
Big Bend Voter Education and
Anti-Poverty Campaign, Inc.
403 North McComb St.
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

In Re: VEP 6-87

Dear Mr. Hahn:

In his letter of August 3, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings held, people contacted, number registeres, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rnther, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program begins August 15, we will need reports from you on August 29, September 12, September 29, and October 17.

Since your program will operate in twelve counties, please submit separate reports on each county covered. For example, if you are active in Leon, Gadsden, and Alachua counties, please submit separate reports for Leon, Gadsden, and Alachua counties. We will keep separate cards on each county. However, all your reports will be filed in a single folder marked "VEP 6-87."

Since your program also includes citizenship education and leadership training, these activities should be reported as fully as your registration work.

Additionally, we will need two narrative reports from you--one on September 20 and the other on October 20, after your program has been completed. These longer reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

August 22, 1966

The Lewis State Bank
Tallahassee, Florida

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $1,200.00 to be deposited to the account of the Operation Big Bend Account. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 22, 1966

Mr. John D. Due, Jr.
Temporary Chairman
Big Bend Education and Anti-Poverty
Campaign, Inc.
540½ W. Brevard St.
Tallahassee, Florida

Dear John:

I'm sorry that I cannot honor your request for a f four week cash supply of funds. The delay in receiving the grant letter was no fault of the Project, and I'm sure you understand.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

August 30, 1966

Mr. John D. Due, Jr.
Temporary Chairman
Big Bend Education and Anti-Poverty
Campaign, Inc.
540½ W. Brevard St.
Tallahassee, Florida

Dear John:

We received printed checks from the Lewis State Bank to be used by the Big Bend Voter Education and Anti-Poverty Campaign. Mr. Jordan asked me to have you reorder these checks leaving off Southern Regional Council, 5 Forsyth St., Atlanta, Georgia, and insert your Florida address.

Your immediate attention to this will be appreciated.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 1, 1966

The Lewis State Bank
Tallahassee, Florida

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $600.00 to be deposited to the account of the Operation Big Bend Account. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 1, 1966

Mr. John Due
Director
Big Bend Voter Education Project
540½ West Brevard St.
Tallahassee, Florida

Dear Mr. Due:

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540½ West Brevard Street
Tallahassee, Florida

6 September 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
5 Forsythe Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Mr. Olive:

I am sorry voucher No. 44 was left on my desk by mistake, but here it is for your record.

I hope it doesn't reach you too late to be considered along with the entire report.

Thank you,

Johnny Lee Watson

Johnny Lee Watson

BIG BEND VOTER EDUCATION CAMPAIGN
540½ West Brevard Street
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

Payee: Jessie Carswell, Registrar Voucher No. 4

DESCRIPTION OF PURPOSE & MANNER OF EXPENDITURE

Voter Registaation List in Putnam County

DATE		AMOUNT
9/3/66	Registration List in Putnam County	$100 00

APPROVED:

COUNTY OFFICER: [signature]
VEAP OFFICER: [signature]

Check No. 4
Date: 9/3/66
Received By:

LEWIS STATE BANK

September 9, 1966

Mr. John Due, Jr.
Temporary Chairman
Big Bend Voter Education and
Anti-Poverty Campaign, Inc.
540½ W. Brevard St.
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Dear John:

This brief note to remind you about making reservations for two for Monday, and Tuesday nights. We are arriving on Eastern Flight 777 at 9:46 p.m. Monday night.

We look forward to a mutually pleasant and profitable experience.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 20, 1966

Mr. John Due, Jr.
Temporary Chairman
Big Bend Voter Education and
Anti-Poverty Campaign, Inc.
540½ West Bravard Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Dear Mr. Due:

We regret to inform you that the Voter Education Project has made the painful decision to terminate the grant to the Big Bend Voter Education Project, effective Friday, September 23. Funds to the Big Bend VEP are being terminated as a result of the field investigation made of the project by Mr. Richard Miles, Director of the South Carolina VEP, and Mr. consultant to the Voter Education Project, and Mr. Thad Olive, Administrative Assistant to the VEP. It was their recommendation, which I as director of VEP support, that in the interest of the VEP and the Big Bend VEP, considering both time and money expended and to be expended, that the funds be terminated. As a result of their visit and our conversation this action should come as no surprise to you.

As I indicated to you on the telephone the termination of the present grant does not preclude a future grant to the Big Bend VEP, assuming that we can correct the problems of internal direction in community problems and cooperation. Please keep this in mind and do give us another opportunity to fund the Big Bend VEP.

To date we have deposited to your account the amount of $1,800.00, $250.00 of which was used as a deposit for your telephone service. It is my understanding that you are to be reimbursed the $100 deposit that was made for rent. This constitutes therefore approximately $350.00 which is reimbursable to the Big Bend VEP from the telephone company and your intended landlord.

You are hereby authorized to use those reimbursed funds to clear up any outstanding indebtedness incurred by your project up to and including September 23, 1966. If you have other outstanding indebtedness through the termination date, please submit them with receipts attached to Mr. Olive for reimbursement by the VEP. Because of the limited nature of the project's operation this last week, we would not expect those expenditures to be very much. Assuming, however, that they are to our satisfaction we will reimburse you for same.

Finally, may we have from you in addition to a complete financial accounting, a full report on the activities, problems, successes and failures, of the project. If at all possible, we would like to have this not later than October 1.

We are indeed appreciative for this opportunity to work with the Big Bend VEP, and look forward to continuing a amicable and meaningful relationship.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Big Bend VEAP Campaign
424 N. Calhoun
Tallahassee, Florida
September 22, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

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Therefore, we shall keep this office to try to attain the potential of at least two weeks. Also it was unamious to keep the office open for future work.

Yours for freedom,

John Due

JD/egl

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Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
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Dear Mr. Jordon:

There is included in our letter for reimbursement monies advanced to Mr. Joe Waller by me which total to the amount of $60.00 and the amount of $10.00 extended to Mr. Joe Waller by Mrs. Gracie Hardy.

This amount was necessary for the business expenses incurred by Joe Waller and Sidney Daniels in the areas of Madison, Suwannee, Hamilton, Putnam, Columbia, Alachua and Levy.

Your attention in this matter will be highly appreciated.

Yours for freedom,

John Due

JD/egl

September 27, 1966

Mr. Spiver W. Gordon
Assistant Director
SEDFRE
540½ W. Brevard Street
Tallahassee, Florida

Dear Mr. Gordon:

Your letter of September 20 to Mr. Jordan has been passed on to me for reply. Please find enclosed a list of Georgia's contact persons.

If we can be of furtherservice, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

Samuel L. Echols
Route 3, Box 206
Columbia, Mississippi 39429

TRAVEL VOUCHER

Name Mrs. Essie Harry
Project Voter Registration Week Ending 10-7-66
County Marion Miles Traveled 15 Rate $.07
Amount Due $1.05 Amount Received $1.05
Signed Mrs. Essie Harry
by S.L.E.

TRAVEL VOUCHER

Name Roosevelt Franklin
Week Ending 10-7-66 County Marion
Miles Traveled 10 Rate $.07
Amount Due $.70 Amount Received $.70
Signed Roosevelt Franklin
by S.L.E.

TRAVEL VOUCHER

Name Roy H. Lumsy
Project Voter Registration Week Ending 10-7-66
County Marion Miles Traveled 22 Rate $.07
Amount Due $1.54 Amount Received $1.54
Signed Roy H. Lumsy
by S.L.E.

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TRAVEL VOUCHER

Name Samuel L. Echols
Week Ending 10-7-66 County Marion
Miles Traveled 124 Rate $.07
Amount Due $9.14 Amount Received $9.14
Signed Samuel L. Echols

Phone 222-2317

JOHN D. DUE, JR.
ATTORNEY AT LAW
540½ West Brevard Street
Tallahassee, Florida

October 15, 1966

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Big Bend Project File

Mr. Vernon Jordon
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsythe Street
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Vernon,

I hope you can stop by on your way to Daytona. I am up and well now. We have a new office.

Yours truly,

John

:rjb

Phone 222-2317

JOHN D. DUE, JR.
ATTORNEY AT LAW
540½ West Brevard Street
Tallahassee, Florida

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October 15, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordon
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsythe Street
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Vernon,

Had an accident several weeks ago.

Rent was returned but was informed that the office of Southeastern Telephone in Va. will send balance of deposit. When received, I shall then make a final report.

Yours truly,

John

:rjb

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

Wiley A. Branton, Project Director

BUDGET REVISION: OPERATION BIG BEND
VEP 66-87 Report due Tuesday of each week

10 Week ProgramAugust 15 teOctober 21, 1966

Director @ $ 50. per week	$500.00	
Secretary @ $35. per week	350.00	
(15) Task Force Workers @ $15. per week	2,250.00	
Office Rent	150.00	
Materials	225.00	
Telephone	200.00	
Transportation	2,325.00	
		6,000.00

Phone 222-2317

JOHN D. DUE, JR.
ATTORNEY AT LAW
540½ West Brevard Street
Tallahassee, Florida

June 23, 1967

Southern Regional Council
Mr. Vernon Jordan
5 Forsythe Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Attention Mr. Thadious Olive

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Re: Big Bend Voter Education and Anti-Poverty Campaign

Please issue a check payable to Capital Office Equipment Company to the amount of $15.00, to close their account. Copies of their statement and invoices show items ordered before termination of project.

Yours truly,

John D. Due, Jr.

JD/bw

cc: Capital Office Equipment Company

VOUCHER

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BIG BEND VOTER EDUCATION CAMPAIGN
540 1/2 West Brevard
Tallahassee, Florida

Payee: HADLEY'S SERVICE STATION

DESCRIPTION OF PURPOSE AND MANNER OF EXPENDITURE

Gas

September 1, 1967	Balance	$43.82
February 16, 1967	Payment	22.00
February 16, 1967	Balance	21.82

VOUCHER

BIG BEND VOTER EDUCATION CAMPAIGN
540 1/2 West Brevard Street
Tallahassee, Florida

Payee: CAPITAL OFFICE EQUIPMENT COMPANY

DESCRIPTION OF PURPOSE AND MANNER OF EXPENDITURE
Office supplies

September 1, 1967	Balance	$37.00
February 16, 1967	Payment	22.00
February 16, 1967	Balance	15.00

FLORIDA

9th, 8th, 2nd, 3rd Congressional Districts

District & Negro %	Voting Age Pop., 1960	Negro Voting Age 1960	Negro Reg. 5/64	Negro Reg. 10/31/65	Negro unreg. 11/1/65
Working Now 6 counties in 9th C.D. 37%	98,207	35,880	16,381	20,092	15,798
Other Counties in 8th & 9th C.D. 25%	129,574	33,506	16,200	21,012	12,494
Duval County 2nd C.D. 22%	252,794	58,430	36,872	41,412	17,018
Dade County 3rd C.D. 12%	613,021	75,573	41,634	44,778	30,795
TOTAL	1,103,036	203,389	111,187	127,294	76,105
4 remaining counties in 9th C.D. 18%	12,542	2,266	1,577	1,620	646
TOTAL 18%	1,115,578	205,655	112,764	128,914	76,751
Gadsden 9th C.D. 51%	23,972	12,261	1,625	5,135	7,126
Madison 41%	7,447	3,067	1,002	2,192	875
Jefferson 52%	4,983	2,600	608	1,530	1,070
Jackson 27%	19,477	5,390	6,382	3,730	1,652
Liberty 18%	1,765	240	-----	145	95
Leon 30%	40,563	12,322	6,334	7,352	4,980
TOTAL	98,207	35,880	16,381	20,092	15,798

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Alachua 8th C.D. 24%	40,543	9,898	4,621	6,786	3,112
Columbia 28% 8th	11,214	1,122	2,309	2,535	587
Flagler 32% 8th	2,635	648	296	374	472
Hamilton 30% 8th C.D.	4,107	1,621	1,058	1,074	547
Levy 26% 8th	5,051	1,368	543	720	848
Nassau 23% 8th	9,130	2,076	1,474	1,620	456
Putnam 28% 8th	18,184	5,089	1,722	2,285	2,804
St. Johns 24% 8th	18,102	4,331	2,329	2,763	1,566
Seewanee 25% 9th C.D.	8,558	2,149	1,046	1,747	402
Taylor 24% 9th C.D.	7,178	1,724	876	978	746
Union 27% 8th C.D.	3,962	1,082	128	128	954
TOTAL	129,574	33,506	16,200	21,012	12,494

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other 9th C.D.					
Calhoun 14%	4,016	582	440	352	230
Franklin 19%	3,965	779	585	608	171
Wakullah 25%	2,873	753	552	595	158
Lafayette 9%	1,688	152	---	65	87
TOTAL	12,542	2,266	1,577	1,620	646

TO
VEP-14

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

March 18, 1966

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.
General Chairman
All-Citizens Registration Committee
330 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hill:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the All Citizens Registration Committee for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in the metropolitan Atlanta areas. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $3,075.00 for a ten week period to run from March 28 to June 3, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to ten weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary	@$65.00 per week	$ 650.00
b)	Secretary	@$40.00 " "	400.00
c)	Field Work Assts.	@$35.00 " "	350.00
d)	Supplies		300.00
e)	Postage		200.00
f)	Telephone		100.00
g)	Rent		250.00
h)	Transportation		400.00
i)	Publicity		425.00

The student scholarships that we plan to give for voter work in the Atlanta area are not included in the amount granted. The work of the students, however, will, in our opinion, enhance your program considerably in that it will provide you with an additional work force. The cost however of the student program will be included in the total amount of funds allotted to the Atlanta area for voter work.

We are mindful that the amount granted is considerably less than the amount requested. We hope, however, that your remaining financial needs can be met through fund-raising at the local level. Surely Atlanta has not only an interest in voter registration, but vast resources to supplement the contribution of VEP. If, in your fund-raising efforts, we may lend some support, we will be pleased to do so.

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Our Research Director, Mrs. Barbara Patterson, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

JESSE HILL, GENERAL CHAIRMAN

ALL-CITIZENS REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

330 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ROOM 211 ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA JACKSON 2-1420

February 22, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

The All-Citizens Registration Committee (ACRC) hereby setsforth a grant proposal to the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council. Our Committee is composed of a coalition of political, civic, ministerial, civil rights and educational organizations. Our organization has pioneered in the field of Voter Registration, citizenship education and leadership training since 1946. ACRC has conducted or coordinated every significant voter registration drive in metropolitan Atlanta since 1946.

We propose to conduct a voter registration and citizenship education program under this proposal, we are preparing in cooperation with the Atlanta Council On Human Relations, a leadership training program.

ACRC has completed and begun plans of operation effective as of February 15th. During the month of January and the first two weeks of February, we have conducted planning and organizational meetings. Our program will cover selected areas in metropolitan Atlanta with primary emphasis on EOA Center precincts, public housing projects and the outlying areas of Fulton County (East Point, College Park, Fairburn, Union City, Palmetto, Roswell and Hapeville). In Fulton County outside of Atlanta there are some 53,000 registered voters, of which only 2703 are Negroes only 5%. Most of the vital services, such as hospital, courts of law, etc., are county based,in order for an ethnic group to effectively participate and influence his government it should have a more significant representation in the electorate than 5%.

In the city of Atlanta even though Negroes comprise 35% of the registered voters, in some of the selected pockets and precincts we find as little as only 1 out of 4 eligible citizens are registered voters.

The key personnel of the program are listed below:

General Campaign Chairman - Jesse Hill, Jr.

Campaign Planning Committee: Key Community Leaders and officers of Committee.

Campaign Director - (Rev. Joseph Boone or Mrs. J. R. Wilson, Sr.)

Field Work Assistant - R. A. Allen

1.	Full-Time Secretary	-	Open	(1)
2.	Part-Time Secretaries	-	Open	(4)
3.	Courthouse Monitors	-	Open	(2)
4.	Interns From Local Colleges	-	Open	(4)

The Campaign period will run from February 25th through June 30th.

We have attached a detailed budget for the above program.

Very truly yours,

Jesse Hill, Jr.

JHJr:b
enclosure

P. S. - Our final campaign goal will depend on final budget resources. However, our goal range will be a minimum of 15,000 new registered voters to 25,000. Our potential target in the Metro Atlanta area is at least 75,000 eligible but unregistered Negro citizens.

JHJr.

Proposed Campaign Budget

Campaign Director, Salary 4 months @ $350.00		$ 1400.00
*Executive Vice Chairman, Expense 4 months @ $100.00		400.00
Field Work Assistant 4 months @ $150.00		600.00
1 Full-time Secretary 4 months @ $200.00		800.00
4 Part-time Secretaries 4 months @ $50.00		800.00
Office Supplies		600.00
Printing, Canvass Materials, Stationery, Placards, handbills, etc.		1200.00
Maps		150.00
Red Book		48.00
Postage		720.00
Telephone - 4 months at Hq. office @ $20.00		80.00
One Buffet each of 4 per month for Volunteers (Adults and High School Students)		400.00
Telephone and Rent 3 months 5 locations @ $25.00		375.00
Special Church Minister - Church Effort		500.00
Headquarters Office Rent 4 months		400.00
Transportation (Gasoline for Car Volunteers, Buses, etc)		600.00
Publicity Sound Truck, Radio, Newspapers		
Sound Truck	280.00	
Radio	300.00	
Newspapers	300.00	880.00
Big Crosstown Parade March 6th		200.00
		$10,153.00

Sources of Budget

VEP Grant	-	$9,053.00
All-Citizens Registration Comm.		1,100.00
		$10,153.00

*SCLC has placed Rev. F. C. Bennett on loan to ACRC. He will devote one-half of his time to the ACRC campaign.

Meeting, Com

March 22, 1966

Dr. Arthur C. Banks, Jr.
Director, Pre-College Program
Morehouse College
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Banks:

Thank you for inviting me to the first annual Career Day of the Morehouse College Pre-College Program, on Saturday, March 26, 1966. I regret very much that I will be unable to attend due to a previous commitment.

I wish your program every success, and hope to have the opportunity again, to be with you in some future programs.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Nobbie, Pls write and say I can't come with regrets.

March 11, 1966

Dear Attorney Vernon Jordan

The Morehouse College Pre-College Program will hold its first annual Career Day on Saturday, March 26, 1966. We are interested in bringing to the campus of Morehouse College people from a variety of challenging vocations to talk with our students and to engage them in discussions about their futures and their own projected careers. To successfully accomplish this goal, we feel that the contribution of your intimate impressions concerning your personal occupation, is vital. We invite you to be with us on Career Day to bring to our students this type of practical guidance.

Our Career Day schedule is as follows:

9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon ------	Pre-College Classes Washington High School 45 Whitehouse Dr., S.W.
12:30 PM - 1:10 PM ---------	First Seminar Morehouse College Campus
1:15 PM - 1:55 PM ---------	Second Seminar Morehouse College Campus
2:00 PM - 3:00PM ---------	Luncheon Benjamin E. Mays Dining Hall (Morehouse College)

If possible, we would like for you to view our morning classes so as to gain some insight into our program. However, it is your participation in our small seminar groups and our informal luncheon (12:30 - 3:00) that will make this day a dynamic experience for our students.

Please telephone your reply to Morehouse College Pre-College Center, 577-1505. Your attention to this invitation is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Arthur C. Banks, Jr.
Director, Morehouse College
Pre-College Program

March 24, 1966

The First National Bank
and Trust Company of Macon
Macon, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith is our check in the amount of $95.00, and deposit slip thereto, to be deposited to the account of the Voter Education Project of Bibb County, Macon, Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosures
(As stated above)

March 24, 1966

Mr. William P. Randall
Bibb County Coordinating Committee
845 Forsyth Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Randall:

Enclosed are the following: a) deposit slip indicating the amount deposited to your account at the First National Bank & Trust Company, and b) weekly reporting forms.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosures

SOUTHERN REGIONAL CONFERENCE

THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF TEACHERS, AFL- CIO

ATLANTA CABANA MOTEL, ATLANTA, GA.

March 26,1966

8:30 A.M. REGISTRATION (Crystal Ballroom Lobby)

9:00 A.M. PRESS CONFERENCE Mr. David Selden, Assistant to the President of The American Federation of Teachers, AFL-CIO.
(V.I.P. ROOM)

9:00 A.M. - MORNING SESSION CRYSTAL BALLROOM

Presiding - Miss Rosa McGhee, Vice President, American Federation of Teachers

Invocation- Mr. Donald McEvoy, Director for Georgia, National Conference of Christians and Jews.

Greetings for the City of Atlanta - Mr. Q.V. Williamson, Alderman

Greetings for Capitol County Teachers Association, Local # 188, Mrs. Alice H. Washington, President

Keynote Address - Attorney Harry M. Caudill, Louisville, Kentucky

Coffee Break

Music - Teachers of Fulton County

Panel : " The Role of the Teacher in the Civil Rights Movement "

Moderator - Mr. Donald McEvoy, National Conference of Christians and Jews

American Civil Liberties Union--Mrs. Florence Robbins, Executive Director for Ga.

Georgia Council on Human Relations--Dr. David Day, Emory University, Department of Teacher Education

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People-- Dr. Samuel Williams, President; pastor, Friendship Baptist Church

Southern Christian Leadership Conference-- Dr. Ralph Abernathy, Treasurer; pastor, West Hunter Baptist Church

Southern Regional Council-- Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director, Voter Education Project

12:00 LUNCH

Invocation -- Dr. Samuel Williams

Introduction of Speaker -- (To be supplied) Vice President, AFT

Speaker -- Mr. David Selden, Assistant to the President, AFT

Recognition of Guests

1:45 P.M. AFTERNOON SESSION

Challenge to Teachers -- Dr. T.E. Gehraty, Professor of Economics, Cha University of Chattanooga

Panel: "The Relationships Between Teachers and Other Labor Groups "

Moderator - Mr. Harold N. Arnold, Executive Director, Atlanta Urban League

Alabama State AFL-CIO -- , Executive Director

American Federation of Teachers - Mr. Dick Miller, Louisville, Kentucky

American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees -- Mr. Michael Botelho, Director, District # 14

Southern Regional Council -- Mr. Emory Via, Director- Labor Program

Panel: "The Relationships Between Teachers and Other Professional Groups "

Moderator -- Dr. Horace E. Tate, Member, Atlanta Board of Education; Executive Secretary, Georgia Teachers and Education Association

American Federation of Teachers, AFL-CIO -- Mr. David Selden

American Teachers Association - Mr. Joseph T. Brooks, Executive Secretaryh

Capitol County Teachers Association, Local #188 - Mr. Virgil Scott, Chairman Grievance Committee

National Education Association - Mr. Charles Butler, NEA Director for Georgia; Principal, Ursula Collins Elementary School, Augusta, Ga.

Summary of Conference Proceedings :

Dr. Tilman Cothran , Professor of Sociology, Atlanta University; Administrator for Program, Economic Opportunity Atlanta, Inc.

Dr. Herbert Shapiro - Professor of History, Morehouse College; Resource Person, American Federation of Teachers, AFL-CIO

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Regional Conference, Atlanta, Ga.
March 26, 1966

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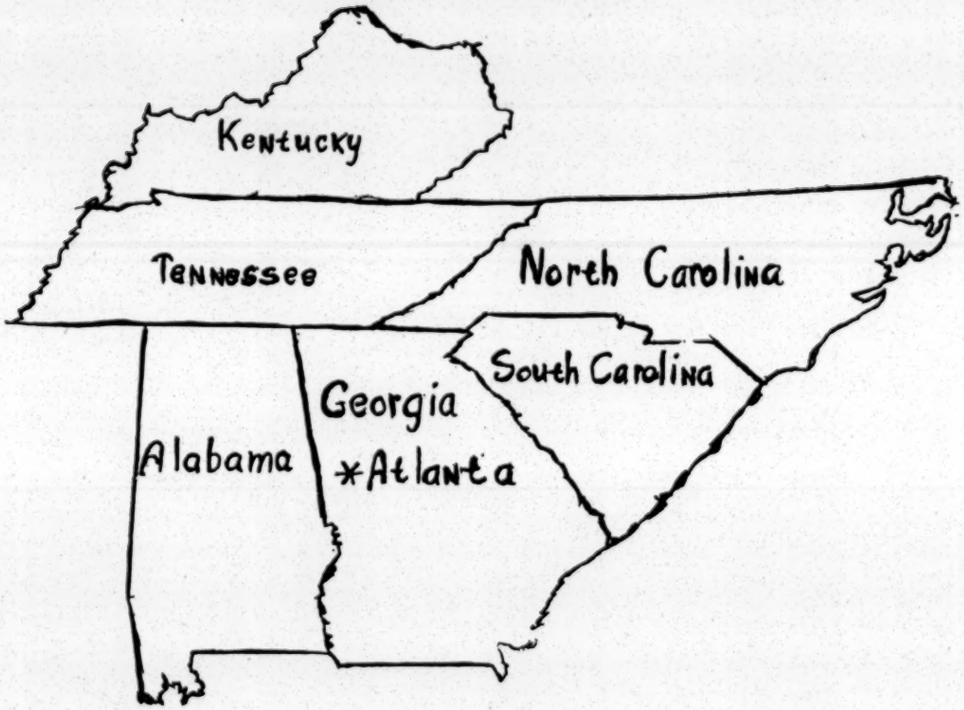

THEME:

"THE ROLE OF THE TEACHER IN THE LABOR MOVEMENT"

TOPICS:

The Teacher and Other Professional Groups
The Teacher and Other Labor Groups
The Teacher and the Civil Rights Movement

9:00 A.M. **MARCH 26, 1966** **4:30 P.M.**

Atlanta Cabana Motel

I plan to attend the AFT Regional Conference in Atlanta, Ga., March 26, 1966, at the Atlanta Cabana Motel.

Name..... Local.....

Address.....

City..... State..... Zip Code.....

NOTE: Please enclose $5.00 for Registration and Luncheon.

Forward to . . . AFT Vice President Rosa M. McGhee, 1018 East 8th Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee, or AFT, 716 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Meetings, Ga

March 18, 1966

Mrs. Alice H. Washington
President, Local #188
Capitol County Teachers Association
1848 Calloway Drive, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Washington:

This is to advise that Mrs. Barbara Patterson, Director of Research, Voter Education Project, will represent the VEP in my stead at the Southern Regional Conference of the American Federation of Teachers, AFL-CIO, on March 26, on "The Role of the Teacher in the Civil Rights Movement."

As a result of my appointment to the Council of the White House Conference "To Fulfill These Rights" by President Johnson, I will have to attend an emergency meeting of the Council on that date. When I accepted your invitation to participate I had no idea that I would be asked to serve on the Council of the White House Conference.

I am sure you understand, and I beg your forgiveness at this time. Mrs. Patterson will do a better job than I, I feel sure.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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American Federation of Teachers
Affiliated With The AFL-CIO
DEMOCRACY IN EDUCATION • EDUCATION FOR DEMOCRACY

CHARLES COGEN
President

716 N. RUSH STREET • CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60611 • WH-ITEHALL 3-4226

1848 Calloway Drive, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia
March 15, 1966

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Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan:

We appreciate your acceptance of our invitation to share the Southern Regional Conference of the American Federation of Teachers, AFL-CIO, in session on Saturday, March 26,1966, at the Atlanta Cabana Motel, 870 Peachtree Street, N.E.

The attached announcements list our theme, participants, and schedule for the day. Your complimentary ticket for lunch will be available as you register.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Alice H. Washington

Mrs Alice H. Washington
President, Local #188
Capitol County Teachers Association

Enclosures

March 30, 1966

Mr. Jesse Hill
Chairman
All-Citizens Registration Committee
148 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hill:

In response to your letter of March 29, please be informed that the Voter Education Project approves the modifications as set forth in that letter.

Also in line with your request, we are depositing today, by mail, a check in the amount of $1,200 in the name of Atlanta Voter Registration Research. The fact that we are advancing you more than your estimated weekly cash expenditures does not mean that the ACRC is absolved from weekly financial reports. We must have, and expect the weekly financial reports.

As to the narrative reporting, we are reminded that in the first VEP the ACRC was somewhat slow in submitting to us narrative reports. We trust this will not be the situation in this Project.

To facilitate this, Mrs. Barbara Patterson, our Research Director, will communicate directly with Mrs. Johnnie Brown, 2nd Ward; Mr. Heard, East Point; and, with Mrs. Thelma Abbot and Mr. Banks of College Park, asking them for reports of their activities in their respective localities. This does not mean, however, that we would not be expecting reports from the overall director of the campaign.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosures
1. Cash vouchers
2. Deposit slip copy
3. Weekly reporting forms

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ALL-CITIZENS
REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
334 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303 - TELEPHONE 522-1420

March 29, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan:

This letter is in pursuance of your letter of March 18 and our telephone conversations providing a limited grant to the All-Citizens Registration Committee of $3075.00 for the ten week period of March 28 through June 3, 1966.

As indicated in our discussion we can effectively use the grant with credit to VEP and our Committee provided the modifications we discussed are approved as follows:

1. Because certain expenses and costs cannot be economically administered on a weekly basis and do not occur weekly, the initial deposit should cover the equivalent of a 4 weeks cash supply, otherwise purchases of certain supplies, rent, telephone deposits, etc., cannot be administered.

2. The heart of our program evolves around volunteers who serve as field workers, deputy registrars, courthouse workers, etc. It is very important that we are able to periodically provide them with refreshments and possible service of food on occasions. We are therefore planning to have refreshments weekly for different groups of volunteers including some of our high school students, deputy registrars and college students. This is a must for our project. We would like to use the first week of our Director's salary and part of our publicity budget for this purpose as needed.

We plan to hire our director as of April 15th, and let Rev. Fred C. Bennett act as director temporarily until April 15th, who is now assigned to us full-time, less his SCLC expense budget of $125.00 per month. We will allot Rev. Bennett a portion of our field work director's budget.

We also would like your permission to make direct sub-grants to our DeKalb County Affiliate, directed by Mrs. Johnnie Brown (2nd Ward), also to East Point under Mr. Heard and College Park under Mrs. Thelma Abbott and Mr. Banks. These sub-grants will vary from $25.00 to $100.00 from our budget and the funds we will raise under All-Citizens.

Please deposit approximately $1200.00 to the following account immediately:

Atlanta Voter Registration Reasearch

The signature cards and check specimens are conveyed to your office herewith.

Very truly yours,

Jesse Hill, Jr.
Chairman

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March 30, 1966

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.
General Chairman
All-Citizens Registration Committee
330 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hill:

RE: VEP 6-14

Vernon Jordan's letter to you of March 18, 1966, mentions the research reports the Voter Education Project requires of the All-Citizens Registration Committee under the terms of your 10-week grant to conduct voter registration.

I am enclosing with this letter a copy of the form which we wish your office to fill in and return to us twice a month. Please do not send us forms filled out by several voter registration workers covering different times worked. Instead, we suggest that one of the project personnel collect from the workers their records of persons reached by canvass, taken to register, etc., and total them on one sheet to be sent to us. A supply of these forms are being sent to you under separate cover for use by workers in the field. It is of vital importance that the figures submitted to us be actual numerical count and not estimates.

Since your program was operative as of March 28, I would suggest that the first form be in our office on or about April 11, and thereafter on April 25, May 9, May 23, and June 6 for the duration of the project.

In the course of this 10-week program we require a minimum of two narrative reports about your program. These can be of whatever

length you find suitable and may be written by anyone from volunteer block worker to project director. Their essential requirement is that they tell specifically what the [redacted]tration Committee is doing in Atlanta and how it is doing it. We suggest that we receive at least one narrative report by April 30 and a final report by June 10. The last report from you should evaluate the total performance of the program, there are no other conditions attached to the reports. It is our hope that this flexibility will permit you to encourage your campaign workers who may not have written much before to write down their experiences for us in their own words.

We are interested in receiving copies of any printed materials you use.

If we can be of any assistance please let us hear from you. We look forward to your reports.

Sincerely

(Mrs.) Barbara Patterson
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

March 30, 1966

Mr. L. D. Milton
President
Citizens Trust Company
212 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Milton:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $1,200, to be deposited to the account of the All Citizens Registration Committee of Atlanta, Georgia. A deposit slip indicating same is also enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosures
(As stated above)

March 30, 1966

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Chairman
All-Citizens Registration Committee
148 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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2. Deposit slip copy
3. Weekly reporting forms

April 4, 1966

Mr. William P. Randall
Bibb County Coordinating Committee
845 Forsyth Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Randall:

Enclosed are the following: a) deposit slip indicating the amount deposited to your account at the First National Bank and Trust Company, and b) weekly reporting forms.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosures

April 4, 1966

The First National Bank
and Trust Company of Macon
Macon, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith is our check in the amount of $209.57, and deposit slip thereto, to be deposited to the account of the Voter Education Project of Bibb County, Macon, Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Oliva
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Wm. Randall

April 6, 1966

Mr. Hosea Williams
Director
Department of Voter Registration
and Political Education
Southern Christian Leadership
Conference
334 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Hosea:

This brief note to thank you for the invitation to the Confederation of Alabama's Political Organizations on Saturday. The meeting was most informative and well attended.

Please convey to members of your staff my sincere thanks for the trip from Montgomery to Selma. Since this was my first trip to Alabama, I was grateful to them for pointing out the historical places, concerning the movement, along the way.

May you continue to enjoy success in this and future efforts.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo

April 15, 1966

Mr. Jesse Hill
Chairman
All Citizens Registration Committee
c/o Atlanta Life Insurance Company
148 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hill:

This is just a note of commendation for the valiant efforts of the ACRC in mobilizing some 200 people to serve as deputy registrars in the forthcoming registration campaign in Fulton County. Considering the time and pressure you were under, you have done an excellent job in this regard.

It is our opinion that the Atlanta experience in this campaign can have real meaning for other metropolitan areas in the South. We, therefore, urge you to keep us fully abreast of all mechanics that have been involved, and will be involved, in this present drive.

Best wishes in your efforts.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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April 18, 1966

Mr. Jesse Hill
Chairman
All-Citizens Registration Committee
148 Auyburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hill:

Enclosed are the following: a) deposit slip copy, indicating amount deposited to your account, b) weekly reporting forms for your weekly report, c) copy of our letter to the Citizens Trust Company, transmitting funds.

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Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

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Enclosures

April 18, 1966

Mr. R. O. Sutton
Vice President
Citizens Trust Company
212 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sutton:

Enclosed herewith is our check in the amount of $ 329.31 to be deposited to the account of the All-Citizens Registration Committee, Atlanta, Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosure

April 20, 1966

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.
General Chairman
All Citizens Registration Committee
330 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Hill: RE: VEP 6-14

Enclosed for your records is a copy of the letter sent today by us to Mr. Heard in East Point, Miss Brown in the northeast section, and Mrs. Abbott in College Park.

We also feel the block-canvasser's data sheet and the canvasser assignment sheet which ACRC has developed are very functional. Both the VEP research interest and your own records, however, will be best served by ACRC retaining the data sheets and transfering the information from them to our registration reporting forms. Yours, as you know, do not give a records of new registration as a result of your drive.

April 11 was the suggested date for receipt of your first statistical report. May we hear from you?

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Barbara Patterson

BP:jr

April 20, 1966

Miss Johnnie L. Brown
90 Whiteford Avenue NE
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss Brown: RE: VEP 6-14

Mr. Jesse Hill has indicated to us that you will be directing voter registration activity of the ALL Citizens Registration Committee in your immediate locality. We have advised him that in addition to the overall research reporting we require from ACRC under the grant from the Voter Education Project, we would like to hear directly from persons conducting the drive.

Will you, therefore, give some thought to providing VEP mid-way in the current program--about May 10--with a narrative progress report on the organization of your drive in the northeast area, the number of persons involved and their activities, and some evaluation of its success. We anticipate that you will be furnishing ACRC with the actual numerical count of numbers of persons registered, so it will not be necessary to duplicate statistical forms. But this information should be included. Basically, as complete a report as you are able to provide will assist both you and VEP in planning well for the future.

We wish you success and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Barbara Patterson
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

BP:jr

April 20, 1966

Mrs. Thelma Abbott
521 West Columbia Street
College Park, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Abbott: RE: VEP 6-14

Mr. Jessee Hill has indicated to us that you will be directing voter registration activity of the All Citizens Registration Committee in your immediate locality. We have advised him that in addition to the overall research reporting we require from ACRC under the grant from the Voter Education Project, we would like to hear directly from persons conducting the drive.

Will you, therefore, give some thought to providing VEP midway in the current program--about May 10--with a narrative progress report on the organization of your drive in the College Park area, the number of persons involved and their activities, and some evaluation of its success. We anticipate that you will be furnishing ACRC with the actual numerical count of numbers of persons registered, so it will not be necessary to duplicate statistical forms. But this information should be included. Basically, as complete a report as you are able to provide will assist both you and VEP in planning well for the future.

We wish you success and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Barbara Patterson
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

BP:jr

April 20, 1966

Mr. O. J. ~~Massey~~ Heard
2897 Veterans Street
East Point, Georgia

Dear Mr. Heard: RE: VEP 6-14

Mr. Jesse Hill has indicated to us that you will be directing voter registration activity of the All Citizens Registration Committee in your immediate locality. We have advised him that in addition to the over-all research reporting we require from ACRC under the grant from the Voter Education Project, we would like to hear directly from persons conducting the drive.

Will you, therefore, give some thought to providing VEP midway in the current program--about May 10-- with a narrative progress report on the organization of your drive in the East Point area, the number of persons involved, and their activities, plus some evaluation of its success. We anticipate that you will be furnishing ACRC with the actual numerical count of numbers of persons registered, so it will not be necessary to duplicate statistical forms. But this information should be included. Basically, as complete a report as you are able to provide will assist both you and VEP in planning well for the future.

We wish you success and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Barbara Patterson
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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5 May 66

Voter Education Project
Mr. Vernon Jordan
Mr. Thad Olive

Gentlemen:

Please arrange to issue checks in the amount of $75.00 each to the following interns:

IMMEDIATELY

Name	School
Mr Dwight Jackson	Morehouse
* Mrs. Louise Bradley	A.U. School Social Work
Miss Doris Dozier	Clark College
Mr. J. Ezrall Miller	Atlanta Univ Graduate School

Respectfully Requested
Jesse Hill Jr.

Please excuse roughness of Form.

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May 9, 1966

Mr. Jesse Hill
Atlanta Life Insurance Company
148 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Jesse:

Pursuant to your conversation with Mr. Jordan on Thursday last, May 5, we are enclosing checks for student interns Mrs. Bradley, Mrs. Dozier, Mr. Miller, Mr. Jackson came to the office for his check last Friday.

The Project's guidelines for student interns provide the following:

a) That no student should be gainfully employed,

b) That the interns should be students in need of financial assistance, and

c) That these interns are to be students in undergraduate school.

Therefore, there must be a substitute for Mrs. Bradley.

In order for us to properly complete our files, would you please request that each intern submit a resume to us at the earliest possible convenience.

The Project is aware of the problems encountered in securing interns and we would like to commend you on your effort, and wish for you continued results in this program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosure

May 11, 1966

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.
General Chairman
All-Citizens Registration Committee
330 Auburn Avenue
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hill:

We are in receipt of your weekly reports for the weeks ending April 20, 27, and May 4. We find funds are being used for items not included in your Grant Approval Letter of March 18th.

From your weekly reports thesum of $50.00 has been used to purchase draperies and rods. Before this amount can be advanced, we must have written evidence that the sum of $50.00 has been replaced back into the account. We wish that it were possible, but our grant does not cover such items. Were we to do so, however, we should be compelled in all fairness to do likewise for all grantees.

Mrs. Patterson in her letter to you of March 30 mentioned the research reports the Voter Education Project requires. These reports were due in our office on or about April 11, April 25, and May 9. To date we have received no reports from the All Citizens Registration Committee. Under the

provisions of our grant we are withholding additional funds until these reports are received.

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

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Booker T. Washington High School
Inaugural Program
for
Student Council
and
Senior Class

Washington High Gymnatorium
Friday, May 13, 1966
8:30 A.M.

AMERICA, THE BEAUTIFUL

O beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain
America! America!
God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea.

O beautiful for patriot dream
That sees beyond the years
Thine Alabaster cities gleam
Undimmed by human tears.
America! America!
God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From Sea to shining sea.

C A B I N E T

Attorney General	Charles Ambrose
Secretary of Treasurer	William Killian
Secretary of Business Affairs	William Gee
Secretary of Correspondence	Wynetta Walker
Secretary of Publicity	Marcia Mays

P R O G R A M M E

Haywood Solomon, Presiding

Prelude	
Color Guard	ROTC
Selection	America The Beautiful
Invocation	Franklin Huff
Selection	Glee Club
Introduction of Speaker	Gloria Manson
Speaker	Attorney Vernon E. Jordan
Installation	
Address	William Bradley
President of Student Body	Ruth Reese
Introduction of Cabinet	
Introduction of Visitors	Haywood Solomon
Remarks	Mr. J. Y. Moreland Principal
School Song	

A D V I S O R S

ADVISORS-STUDENT COUNCIL

Mrs. W. Henderson
Mrs. W. J. Jones
Mr. W. T. Leaphart

Senior Class

Mrs. M. Billingsley
Mr. F. V. Elliott
Mrs. W. Henderson

SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS

President	Paula Whatley
Vice President	Charlyn Harper
Record Secretary	Eugenia Davis
Corresponding Secretary	Marcene Rossell
Treasurer	Veronica Glass
Financial Secretary	Trudy Billings
Reporter	Mary McCord
Chaplain	Charles Brown
Business Manager	Richard Winston
Parliamentarian	Tera Sinkfield
Secretary of Activities	Jacquelyn Drake

May 11, 1966

Mrs. Winfred J. Jones
Advisor
Booker T. Washington High School
45 Whitehouse Drive, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Mrs. Jones:

This is to confirm Mr. Vernon E. Jordan's acceptance of the invitation to participate in the installation of Student Council officers of Washington High School on Friday, May 13 -- 8:30 a. m. -- in the school gymnatorium. Mr. Jordan is pleased to share in this program.

I am enclosing for him, at your request, his biographical sketch.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

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Enclosure

Booker T. Washington High School
45 WHITEHOUSE DRIVE, S. W.
ATLANTA, GEORGIA, 30314

J. Y. MORELAND
PRINCIPAL

758-8871
758-8177

May 6, 1966

Atty Vernon E. Jordan
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

RECEIVED
MAY 10 1966

Dear Atty Jordan:

This letter comes to re-emphasize the telephone call in which I asked you to install our Student Council officers and the officers of the Senior class for the 1966-67 school year, to be held on Friday May 13, 1966, 8:30 A.M. at the school gymnatorium.

We hope that you will be able to challenge and encourage our students to a fuller participation in their Student Government. Too, we hope that you can awaken the leaders to an awareness of the responsibilities of these high officers.

The program beginning at 8:30 A.M., will continue until 9:30 A.M. with a coffee hour following in the Teacher's Lounge on the main floor. We should be very honored to have some of our young people meet you informally.

A letter from you confirming your acceptance will be greatly appreciated.

Gratefully yours,
Mrs Winfred J. Jones
(Mrs) Winfred J. Jones Advisor

P.S. Kindly include in your letter information which our students might ulitize in introducing you to our audience.

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ALL-CITIZENS
REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
334 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303 - TELEPHONE 522-1420

May 17, 1966

Mr. Thad Olive
Assistant To Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

We have enclosed herewith our first narrative report. Future reports will be conveyed to you bi-monthly.

Very truly yours,

Jesse Hill, Jr.
Chairman

JHJr:b:encl.

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Whoever you are, the All-Citizens-Registration-Committee is ready and waiting to help you register to vote! To learn about convenient registration hours at the spot nearest your home, contact The All-Citizens-Registration-Committee at 522-1425...or call the Atlanta League of Women Voters, 876-0733.

(3)

Whatever your name, wherever you live, you can now register at convenient daytime or evening hours -- and become a voting citizen! Registration spots are being set up for your convenience in schools, libraries, public buildings and housing projects. For more information call the All Citizens Registration Committee at 522-1425...or contact The Atlanta League of Women Voters at 876-0733.

(4)

Every grownup Georgia citizen should vote! And that means you must register! Convenient registration hours are now being arranged at schools, libraries, public buildings, and housing-projects all over Atlanta. For the registration spot nearest your home, contact the All-Citizens-Registration Committee at 522-1425...or Call the Atlanta League of Women Voters at 876 0733.

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1966 Atlanta Voter Registration Program

Shortly after the federal court outlawed the white primary, in 1946, the All-Citizens Registration Committee was organized. The Committee was an assemblage of the major Civic, Civil Rights and Political groups in the Atlanta Negro community interested in voter registration and political education. The first chairman was Dr. C. A. Bacote, Chairman of the Dept. of History at Atlanta University, who served as chairman until 1957, when he was succeeded by Jesse Hill, Jr., Actuary of the Atlanta Life Insurance Company, the present chairman. Dr. Bacote and Mr. Hill are the only two chairmen in the history of the organization which claims the distinction of being the oldest continuous political education and voter registration organization of its kind in the south. Over the years the major Atlanta sponsors of ACRC had been the NAACP, the Atlanta Negro Voters League, Atlanta Negro Ministerial Groups, Fulton County Negro Republican Club, and the Fulton County Democratic Club. In recent years however, there have been two major sponsors Dr. M. L. King, Jr.'s SCLC, and the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council.

The 1966 Atlanta Voter Registration Program is one of the most promising in ACRC's history. The program began shortly after the first 60 days of the year with planning meetings, firming up organization and negotiations with county officials.

The negotiations with county officials conducted by the following committee: Jesse Hill, Jr., Senator Leroy Johnson, Senator Horace Ward, J. H. Calhoun, Rev. Fred Bennette and observer (Rev. Ralph Abernathy). In the February conference with the three Fulton County Commissioners the committee made the following requests:

1. Employment of Negroes at an early date in the Registrar's Office and the Tax Office.
2. Arrange approval for Neighborhood Voter Registration and the Commission of Volunteer Citizens to Serve as Deputy Registrars.

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We have attached Exhibits of Press Statements, Neighborhood Registration Schedules and Program Descriptions to give an activity picture of our program. Actual Voter Registration Results as of January 1, 1966 following the regular odd-year Georgia Purge of Inactive voters, there were 62,186. During the first 90 days of 1966, January through March, approximately 500 Negro adults, and 1300 high school students were registered (Description of High School Program attached). During the month of April, approximately 700 Negro adults were registered and 500 high school students were registered. The 1800 high school students are not immediately added to the registration tabulations, but are added from a "Suspense File" as they reach their 18th birthday. They are registered at age 17½ years of age. All will be added in time to vote in the General Election in November.

In our bi-monthly narrative reports to follow we will provide a more detailed breakdown of new registered voters by weeks.

Special Features

Among our special features of this year's program are our new neighborhood locations. Please note on our schedules the Hospital, Atlanta Stadium, Libraries etc. We are hoping to add the City Auditorium during the various high school graduations.

Goal and Key to Implementation

Our goal is to make Atlanta the first city in the south with a 100,000 Negro Electorate. The key to the implementation of this goal is our ability to get additional financial support to carry this program not only to the July 26 deadline for the September Primary; but to carry it through the commission term of our 224 Deputy Registrars which runs to December 31, 1966. Our need to carry Atlanta from 62,186 Negro Voters January 1, 1966 to 100,000 by December 31, 1966 an increase of 37,814 new voters is approximately $19,500.00. So far we have received a grant from VEP for $3,075.00 and we have received other contributions totaling about $1500.00. We are currently out of funds and we are operating on our good credit and "faith."

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News Release
April 14, 1966

For Additional Information
Contact: Jesse Hill, Jr.
521-0513

Press Statement by Jesse Hill, Jr.,Chairman

We are happy to announce that the All-Citizens Registration Committee has completed arrangements with Fulton County officials and Chief Registrar Leon Hay for the launching of the most extensive voter registration drive in the history of Atlanta and perhaps the entire south for a single locality. Within the matter of minutes some 200 volunteer citizens will be sworn-in as Deputy Registrars, perhaps the largest number of volunteer citizens in the nation authorized or empowered to serve as Registrars in a single locality.

This orientation and swearing in ceremony is the kick-off of our massive Neighborhood Night and Sunday Voter Registration Drive.

The keys to this 1966 Mammoth Vote Drive are the same 200 civic minded and public spirited citizens who have volunteered to serve their county and state as Deputy Registrars. This group of registrars includes a complete cross section of persons, housewives, office workers, professionals, domestics, etc. Many of them will leave a hard days work and at the office and serve 4 to 5 hours as a deputy registrar at a school until 10 PM or later at night. Many have the expense of baby sitters, etc at home.

The expense for this campaign is borne by the All-Citizens Registration Committee from funds raised in the community and a small grant received from the Southern Regional Council's Voter Education Project, plus staff assistance from S.C.L.C., Dr. M. L. King, Jr., President.

As of January 24, 1966 there were 62,426 Negro registered voters in Fulton County as compared to 158,484 white citizens. Within the Atlanta City Limits 59,671 of these voters are Negroes and 109,639 whites. Negroes comprise 35% of the Atlanta City Limit vote and 28% of the countywide vote.

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During this important election year all U. S. Congressman, a senator, Governor, other State and County officials are to be elected. We have set a campaign goal of 27,000 new registered voters. As of July 26, the date registration books close for the September Primary, we hope to have 90,800 Negro registered voters in Fulton County.

In many predominately Negro Precincts in Atlanta we have found that 2 out of every 3 eligible adults are not registered to vote,in some areas 3 out of 4 eligible citizens are not registered to vote. We estimate that there are 93,000 eligible Negroes in Fulton County who are not registered to vote.

This is the 20th Anniversary Year of ACRC. We have set as a rock bottom minimum a goal of 20,000 representing 1000 new voters for each year. ACRC is the oldest continuous Political Education organization among Negroes in the South.

The All-Citizens Registration Committee was founded in 1946 shortly after the "white primary" was declared unconstitutional by the federal court. This non-partisan committee has a year round program and has directed and coordinated every major registration drive of Negroes in Atlanta since 1946. The Committee includes representatives of every major Atlanta civic, political, religious and civil rights organizations.

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ACRC NEIGHBORHOOD REGISTRATION
SCHEDULE PERIOD MAY 14 - JUNE 8

(Sponsored and Promoted by ACRC. Overall Registration Program under General Supervision of Mr. Leon Hay, Chief Registrar, Fulton County)

Date	Location	Hours
May 14, 1966	Grady Homes Community Center	5PM - 9PM
May 16, 1966	Atlanta Stadium	6PM - 8PM
May 19, 1966	E. P. Johnson	5PM - 9PM
May 24, 1966	Gideons School	" "
May 25, 1966	Perry Homes	" "
June 8, 1966	Atlanta Stadium	6PM - 8PM
May 17, 1966	Hardnett School	5PM - 9PM
Each Monday & Tuesday	Public Hospitals (Grady, Spalding, etc)	Visiting Hours
Each Wednesday	West Hunter Branch Library	5PM - 7:30
Each Monday	Dogwood Library	5PM - 8:30
Each Saturday	Capitol Avenue Library	1PM - 5:30
Each Saturday	West Hunter Library	1PM - 5:30
Each Saturday	Dogwood Library	1PM - 5:30

NOTE: ACRC DEPUTY REGISTRARS MUST NOT TAKE TELEPHONE ORDERS FOR REGISTRATION OR OFFER DOOR TO DOOR REGISTRATION. WE ARE MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO MAKE REGISTRATION AS CONVENIENT AS POSSIBLE BY GOING TO SCHOOLS, HOUSING PROJECTS, LIBRARIES, HOSPITALS AND OTHER PUBLIC FACILITIES.

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For Additional Information: CALL 522-1425
Jesse Hill, Jr., Chairman
Sen. Horace Ward & Dr. L. R. Shelton, Assoc. Chrm.
Rev. F. C. Bennette, Executive Vice-Chairman
Mrs. Ella M. Brayboy, Secretary
Mr. C. R. Yates, Treasurer-Sen.L. Johnson,Counsel

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1966 High School Program

Phase I Registration of High School Students

During the 1955 Voter Registration Campaign the All-Citizens Registration Committee with the cooperation of the Negro High School Principals and Registrar Mr. Young Howell initiated its registration program for Negro high school students.

,Under this program up until Mr. Leon Hay became Chief Registrar ACRC transported the students by buses to the courthouse. Mr. Hay now actually goes to the high school and registers the student and of course covers all schools in Fulton County.

This year ACRC only had to transport by Atlanta Transit Bus some 75 Howard High students to the DeKalb County Registrar's office.

Phase II
High School Program

The potential in Citizenship Education by high school holds great promise for the student, the school and the community. Recently a planning conference was held at Booker T. Washington High which included faculty voter registration sponsors, Principal J. Y. Moreland, Dr. Lee R. Shelton and Jesse Hill, Jr.

The following is a Summary of discussions and recommendations:

1. That recognition be given the High School Student Registration Program at the May 25th Hungry Club Session, to be sponsored by the All-Citizens Registration Committee.
2. That teachers and high school students be recruited to serve as deputy registrars in the community registration program.
3. In order to provide an opportunity for interested and talented high school students to participate in wholesome and worthwhile activity that could bring honor to the school and student, it is agreed that a varsity-type Citizenship Education Team (CET) would be formed at each high school.

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Each team would work in the community registration project by assigned areas. Competition would be arranged between schools with trophies and other varsity type competitive awards provided.

4. Each school would have a Citizenship Education Team (CET) of at least 100 members.
5. The nucleus of the team would be formed from the Student Government which should be the chief student organization promoting the team. However, other influence clubs and organizations of the school should be associated with the Citizenship Education Team. A formal effort should be made to get the Student Government to promote CET.
6. At the conclusion of the citywide project an appreciation social should be given the students by the Registration Committee.

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ACRC Neighborhood Registration*

Schedule Period April 20 - May 10

Date	Location	Hours
	Public Housing Projects	
April 20	Carver Homes	5Pm - 9PM
	University-John Hope	"
April 27, 28	Bowen Homes	"
	Perry Homes	"
May 4, 5	Grady Homes	"
	Herndon Homes	"
	Eagan Homes	"
May 2-6(Rent Week)	Deputy Registrars Available At All Project Rent Offices	
	Schools	
April 20	South Fulton	5Pm - 9PM
April 26	Pryor Street	"
April 28	Capitol Avenue	"
May 3	E. P. Johnson	"
May 5	Cooper Street	"
May 10	Pittman Park	"
	Tentative Sunday Registration	
May 8	Washington High & Other Hi Schools	2Pm - 6PM

*Please note the above revised schedule supersedes all previous published schedules of Neighborhood Registration of ACRC.

Submitted to Mr. Leon Hay, April 21, 1966.

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20th Anniversary Registration Campaign

1966 Neighborhood Registration Schedule

Chief Registrar Fulton County, Leon Hay
Chairman, All-Citizens Registration Committee, Jesse Hill, Jr.
Program Coordinator, Rev. Fred C. Bennett

Date	Location	Hours
	PUBLIC HOUSING PROJECTS	
April 19, 20	Carver, Bowen & Perry Homes University-John Hope	5PM - 9PM "
April 26, 27	Eagan, Grady & Herndon Homes	"
	Schools	
April 26	South Fulton-Pryor Street	"
April 28	Capitol Avenue	"
May 1 (Sunday)	Pittman Park-Washington High	2PM - 6PM
"	Howard High-Archer High	"
"	Price High-West Fulton	"
"	Turner High-Harper High	"
May 3	E. P. Johnson	"
"	Eva Thomas	"
May 5	Cooper Street	5PM - 9PM
"	English Avenue	"
May 10	Walker St., Margaret Fain & Gideons	"
May 12	I. P. Reynolds, A. F. Herndon & W. A. Scott	"
May 17	John Hope, Anderson Park Bethune, Harper School (Poole Creek)	" "
May 19	North Avenue, G. A. Townes & M. Agnes Jones	"
June 5 (Sunday)	Pittman Park & High Schools as Indicated May 1	2Pm - 6PM
July 3 (Sunday)	Pittman Park & High Schools as Indicated May 1	"

*Note: Other County Locations to be announced later.

Mobile Units (Five (5) - Wards 1,3,4,6 and 7) Schedule to be announced weekly from ACRC Office.
(To Include Hospitals, Trade Schools & Shopping Centers)

TARGETS: The Chief Targets will be Shopping Centers, Hospitals, Trade Schools and Selected Targets.

CONTROL SYSTEM: A Captain will be in charge of each mobile unit. Mobile Units will submit weekly reports to Chief Registrar Leon Hay each Friday. Note: All Mobile Unit Target Areas selected must be first submitted to Chairman to be transmitted in writing to Mr. Leon Hay, Chief Registrar, Fulton County.

EOA (Centers) The Month of June will be set aside as EOA Month.

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May 18, 1966

Mr. Franklin W. Thomas
General Secretary
Butler Street Y.M.C.A.
22 Butler Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., has requested that I send to you the enclosed information in connection with his commitment to appear at the Hungry Club next week.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

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Enclosure

May 18, 1966

Mr. Jesse Hill
Atlanta Life Insurance Company
148 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

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Enclosure

May 19, 1966

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.
Atlanta Life Insurance Company
148 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Jesse:

Enclosed are the following: a) Copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited to the account of the Atlanta Voter Registration Research Committee, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reports.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosures

May 19, 1966

Mr. R. O. Sutton
Vice-President
Citizens Trust Company
212 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

RE: Account No. 01-00-20-6

Dear Mr. Sutton:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $900.00, to be deposited to the account of the Atlanta Voter Registration Research Committee. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosures

cc: Mr. Jesse Hill

The CITIZENS TRUST Company

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

MEMBER FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

May 20, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Pursuant to the instructions contained in your letter of May 19, 1966, we have made the deposit to the account of Atlanta Voter Registration Research Committee. Validated receipt for deposit evidencing this transaction is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

R. O. Sutton
Vice President

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Enclosure:

Meeting in Ga.

May 23, 1966

Mr. Clarence D. Coleman
Southern Regional Office
National Urban League, Inc.
78 Marietta Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Coleman:

This is to confirm Mr. Vernon E. Jordan's plans to attend your meeting on May 27 at 2:00 p. m., in the Conference Room of the Southern Regional Office, National Urban League, Atlanta.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Hobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

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May 19, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director
Voter Education Project, SRC
45 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

On Friday, May 27th, Mr. M. Carl Holman, Deputy Staff Director, U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, will be in Atlanta to meet with Civil Rights officials who are concerned with problems relating to Negro migration from rural to urban areas under voluntary and involuntary conditions.

We invite you to attend this meeting at 2:00 p.m. on May 27th in the Conference Room of the Southern Regional Office, National Urban League.

The meeting will focus on the following questions:

To what cities, particularly in the Southern Region, are the migrants going, and why? Where are they coming from, and why?

What levels of skills and degree of literacy do they bring with them? What kind of adjustment problems do they have?

What preparation for urban living is now being given in these rural areas? For example, what kind of information do they need, and to what extent isit provided? What kind of education and training do they need, and to what extent is it provided? What kind of programs and services do they need, and to what extent are they provided?

To what degree are governmental and nongovernmental programs relating to the problem of the rural-to-urban migrant provided on a comprehensive cooperative basis?

How might the civil rights and other organizations more effectively utilize the services of the Civil Rights Commission?

We look forward to seeing you at this most important meeting at 2:00 p.m. on May 27th.

Very cordially,

Clarence D. Coleman

Clarence D. Coleman
Southern Regional Director

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May 31, 1966

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.
Chairman
All-Citizens Registration Committee
148 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hill:

Enclosed are the following: 1) Copy of our letter of transmittal to the Citizens Trust Company of Atlanta, 2) copy of deposit slip, and 3) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reports.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

May 31, 1966

Mr. R. O. Sutton
Vice-President
The Citizens Trust Company
212 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sutton:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $500.00 to be deposited to the account of the Atlanta Voter Registration Research Committee. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
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cc: Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.

2212 Mill Street
Montgomery, Alabama
June 1, 1966

TO: Mr. Jessie Hill, Jr, Chairman
ACRC

FROM: Doris Jean Dozier, Intern

REF: Voter Registration

Dear Sir:

At your request I am submitting this report of my activities with A.C.R.C.

The first activity that I engaged was a luncheon at Paschal's Restaurant with the members of A.C.R.C. At this meeting I learned the general plan for the registration drive. Having gained an idea of the general plans for the drive, I organized the members of the Clark College Y.W.C.A. for a registration drive in Vine City. The members of the Y.W.C.A. met at John Eager Homes Community Center where I along with the help of Mr. Malcolm Dean and two Deputy Registrars gave them follow-up instructions on how to fill out registration forms. The members of the Y.W.C.A. and I canvassed the Vine City area and brought back potential voters to the center to be registered.

The following week, I worked with members of the Pan-Hellenic Councils from all of the schools in the Atlanta University Center. We canvassed the Vine City area.

In the ensuing weeks I worked with community leaders in the John Eagen Homes, and University John Hope Homes housing projects. I aided in the organization of C.E.P. teams at Harper, Price, Howard, and Turner high schools. These teams canvassed areas that surrounded their schools. I canvassed with the team from Archer High School. I gave instructions to all of the groups as to how to approach the people in the communities and how the registration forms were to be filled out.

In addition to the aformentioned activities, I registered voters one Saturday at the West Hunter Branch Library. I

also did office work at Headquarters of Operation Bread Basket. This included serving as a groupd or district consultant at the city-wide meeting of leading citizens and at the Butler Street Y.M.C.A.

I previously worked with the Voter Registration Drive in Montgomery, Alabama. The drives in Montgomery were not as intensified and dynamic as the drives were in Atlanta. I suppose that this is due to the sincere dedication and genuine concern for voter registration held by most of the members of A.C.R.C.

I only regret that I did not have more time to devote to working with the Voter Registration Drive. I sincerely hope that I will have an opportunity to become more involved in Voter Registration.

Respectfully yours,

Doris Jean Dozier

Doris Jean Dozier, Intern

124 Bonair Street
Atlanta, Georgia
May 30, 1966

To: Mr. Jessie Hill, Jr.
Chairman of ACRC

Ref: Voters Registration

From: Dwight Jackson
Intern

Dear Sir:

At your request, I am submitting this report on my activities with ACRC.

One of the first activities that I engaged was to organize and supervise a college-student detail. Its job was to solicit persons to register at the Fulton County Court House during the auto-tag registration period. I also attended several committee meetings of ACRC in order that I might obtain a view of the general plan for the drive. As a result of this, I was asked to attend the "Orientation" and "Swearing In" Ceremony of the Deputy Registras.

Having gained an idea of the general plan of the drive, I aided in the organization of the Pan-Hellenic Council for canvassing purposes. I performed office work at the Headquarters of Operation Bread Basket. This included serving as a group or district consultant at the city-wide meeting of voters. This meeting was held at the Butler Street YMCA. Prior to this meeting, I also worked with the Bowen Homes and Perry Homes registration drives. In addition to this, I worked on telephone and transportation committees.

Perhaps the most important job that I had with the organization, was to serve as High School Coordinator. This involved organizing the Citizenship Educational Teams of the various Negro high schools. These teams aided the organization by securing over three hundred persons to be registered.

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May 9, 1966

Mr. Jesse Hill
Atlanta Life Insurance Company
148 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Jesse:

Pursuant to your conversation with Mr. Jordan on Thursday last, May 5, we are enclosing checks for student interns Mrs. Bradley, Mrs. Dozier, Mr. Miller, Mr. Jackson came to the office for his check last Friday.

The Project's guidelines for student interns provide the following:

a) That no student should be gainfully employed,

b) That the interns should be students in need of financial assistance, and

c) That these interns are to be students in undergraduate school.

Therefore, there must be a substitute for Mrs. Bradley.

In order for us to properly complete our files, would you please request that each intern submit a resume to us at the earliest possible convenience.

The Project is aware of the problems encountered in securing interns and we would like to commend you on your effort, and wish for you continued results in this program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

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The CITIZENS TRUST Company

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

MEMBER FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

June 3, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Re: Atlanta Voter Registration
Research Committee Account
Number 01 08 22 5

Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed is validated receipt for deposit in the amount of $500.00 which has been credited to the account of Atlanta Voter Registration Research Committee.

You will note that we prepared another deposit slip to include the correct account number as indicated above.

Very truly yours,

R. O. Sutton
Vice President

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Enclosure:

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ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

XXXXXXXXXXXX, Project Director

All-Citizens Registration Committee
Budget Revision

10 week program subject to review
April 4 - June ~~6~~, 1966
March 28, 3,

Director @ $65. per week	$650.00	
Secretary @ $0. per week	400.00	
Field Wrok Assistant @ $35. per week	350.00	
Supplies	300.00	
Postage	200.00	
Telephone	100.00	
Rent	250.00	
Transportation	400.00	
Publicity	425.00	
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June 6, 1966

Mrs. Frances Pauley
Executive Director
Georgia Council on
Human Relations
52 Fairlie Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Frances:

Thank you for the invitation to your meeting of the Georgia Council to be held at Jekyll Island, July 9 and 10.

I am pleased to be asked, and you may count on my presence and participation.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Georgia Council ON HUMAN RELATIONS
52 Fairlie Street, N. W. • 404/525-6468 • Atlanta, Georgia 30303

June 1, 1966

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Mr. Vernon Jordan
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan:

The Georgia Council wishes to ask another favor of you. Our next state wide meeting will be held at Jekyll Island, July 9 and 10. Since our membership is becoming more and more interested in the area of your work, we request your presence and participation. There are many details of your program that our members need and want to know.

We hope you can remain with us for the entire Conference, but we particularly need you for all day Saturday, when we will have our workshops.

Because of our limited budget the Council will be unable to pay either Honorarium or Travel Expenses. However, we do believe this meeting will give you the opportunity of giving valuable information to many Georgia Leaders. It could easily save you several field trips.

We look forward to seeing you at Jekyll.

Sincerely,

Frances Pauley

Mrs. Frances Pauley
Executive Director

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MR. JOSEPH HENDRICKS, PRESIDENT
MRS. FRANCES PAULEY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
THE REVEREND AUSTIN FORD, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT
REV. C. S. HAMILTON, SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT
MRS. HARRY V. RICHARDSON, SECRETARY
MR. JOHNNY GLUSTROM, TREASURER
THE REVEREND OLIVER W. HOLMES, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

June 7, 1966

The Reverend Julius Williams
Pastor
Flipper Temple A. M. E. Church
580 Fair Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Williams:

This is to confirm, as per our telephone conversation on Sunday, my commitment to deliver the Man's Day address for the Flipper Temple A. M. E. Church on Sunday, June 19, at the morning worship service.

I am pleased to accept your kind invitation and look forward to sharing in the Flipper Temple fellowship at that time.

My secretary, Mrs. Nobbie Morgan, will forward my biographical sketch within the next day or two.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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FULTON COUNTY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

VOTER REGISTRATION OFFICE
LEON G. HAY, CHIEF REGISTRAR
ROOM 106 • 165 CENTRAL AVENUE, S. W. • 30303 • TELEPHONE 572-2581

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June 20, 1966

All Citizens Registration Committee
334 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Gentlemen:

This will acknowledge your memorandum of June 17 concerning the activities of Volunteer Deputy Registrars.

I cannot agree with you that Fulton County has been smeared in the press for its registration activities. To the contrary, Fulton County has been praised by members of Congress, and by the Attorney General, as well as the press, television and radio, for its outstanding effort to obtain registration for all eligible citizens.

We are pleased to answer specifically the numbered requests made by you, as follows:

1. We are advised that Sunday registration is not legal, and cannot give our approval to any program which is based upon registration on Sunday. Furthermore, regulation No. 5 of Instructions to Volunteer Deputy Registrars specifically states that registration on Sunday will not be permitted.

2. We believe that this office has conducted, in cooperation with various citizens groups, an extensive campaign to place registration before the voters, and that it is not necessary at this time to inaugurate a new program of shopping center registration. Community registration in the City Hall of every municipality of our County is open during regular office hours for this purpose.

3. The total number of Voluntary Registrars in the County is approximately 300. These people have received training, have been screened carefully, have taken the oath of office, and have been deputized. The comparatively small number of persons who have been registered under this program leads me to believe that no additional Deputy Registrars are needed.

4. We will discuss with fiscal authorities the possibility of providing signs to designate official registration posts

for the use of all Deputy Registrars. We cannot approve postage or printing costs for any volunteer worker.

We want to reiterate that we shall expect the utmost in good faith and proper conduct from all Volunteer Deputy Registrars, and strict adherence to the instructions which were given to them when they received instructions and assumed this important office.

Your whole hearted cooperation and adherence to the program which has been outlined will be appreciated.

Yours very truly,

Leon G. Hay

Leon G. Hay
Chief Registrar

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c: Mr. Harold Sheats
c: Mr. Jesse Hill
c: Mr. John Henry Calhoun
c: Mr. Vernon Jordan

June 24, 1966

The Reverend Julius Williams
Minister
The Flipper Temple A. M. E. Church
580 Fair Street, Southwest
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Williams:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your check in the amount of $75.00 from the Flipper Temple A. M. E. Church, as an honorariam for services performed on June 19, 1966.

Please convey to the Flipper Temple congregation my sincere appreciation for the privilege of sharing in this Men's Day program. It was for me a real inspiration to have had a part in the very beautiful service.

I also want to commend you personally for your dynamic leadership, both to the people of Flipper Temple, and to the cause of African Methodism.

Again, it was a pleasure to serve, and if I may be of some assistance to you at any time, please call on me.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

June 29, 1966

Mr. Jesse Hill
148 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hill:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Atlanta Voter Registration Research Account, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

June 29, 1966

Mr. R. O. Sutton
Vice President
Citizens Trust Company
202 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sutton:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $200.00 to be deposited to the account of the Atlanta Voter Registration Research Account. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Jessee Hill

The CITIZENS TRUST Company

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

MEMBER FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

June 30, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Oliver:

Check for $200.00 drawn on the account of Southern Regional Council has been received. As per your instruction, the check has been deposited to Atlanta Voter Registration Research as evidenced by our validated receipt for deposit enclosed herewith.

Very truly yours,

R. O. Sutton
Vice President

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Enclosure

cc: Mr. Jesse Hill

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ALL-CITIZENS
REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
334 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303 - TELEPHONE 522-1420

July 8, 1966

Mr. Thad Olive
Assistant To Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

We have enclosed additional reporting statements pointing up the crisis facing the All-Citizens Registration Committee.

In our June 15 report we indicated that our account was overdrawn out of necessity in order not to stop our program. Mr. Joel Stokes of Citizens Trust agreed to clear and hold our checks totaling $331.59 pending receipt of our grant.

During the week ending June 22 we made all payments from local contributions. During the week ending June 29, we were forced to increase our deficit by $161.00; and during the week ending July 6; we were forced to increase the deficit by an additional $55.00. We have additional past due bills pending for rent, signs, telephone etc. We originally asked for $3000.00. Mr. Jordan gave me a tentative commitment for $1500 over two weeks ago. If we can get the $331.59 plus $161.00 plus $55.00 plus $1500.00, a total of $2127.59 we will be able to continue our program and pay all bills through July 26, the date books close for the September Primary.

Very truly yours,

Jesse Hill, Jr.
Chairman

JHJr:b
Enclosures
cc: Mr. Vernon Jordan

TO File

A VOTELESS PEOPLE IS A HELPLESS PEOPLE

FULTON COUNTY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

VOTER REGISTRATION OFFICE
LEON G. HAY, CHIEF REGISTRAR
ROOM 106 • 165 CENTRAL AVENUE, S. W. • 30303 • TELEPHONE 572-2581

July 11, 1966

Jesse Hill, General Chairman
All Citizens Registration Committee
334 Auburn Ave., N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hill:

Reports persist that volunteer deputy registrars appointed by this office are continuing to solicit registrations on Sunday and from door to door in direct violation of instructions given to all volunteer deputy registrars. We have at least one poster which was taken from a public place signifying organized registration at Camp's Corner on Sunday, June 26, from 2:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Registration cards returned to this office are in such sequence that it is inescapable that they are being obtained by door to door registration.

These conditions have been called to your attention, and you have been asked to furnish this office with the names of the persons involved, and to stop these practices that are in direct violation of the rules set up by this department.

Furthermore, you have been asked to furnish this office with the schedule of neighborhood meetings so that some of the deputy registrars of this office might attend and supervise operations and prodedure. This is necessary if we are to maintain the proper discipline and working conditions in our office, as well as to inform the public where neighborhood registration might be effected.

We have had no response from you or any other member of your organization in regard to either of these matters. Therefore we have no alternative but unless within forty-eight (48) hours from receipt of this letter you do comply with what we consider our most reasonable requests, all appointments of volunteer deputy registrars nominated by the All Citizens Registration Committee will be cancelled forthwith.

Yours truly,

Leon G. Hay

Leon G. Hay, Chief Registrar

cc - Senator LeRoy Johnson
Rev. Fred Bennett
Mr. Harold Sheats, Chairman, Voter's Study Committee
Mr. Archie Lindsey, Chairman, Board of County Commissioners

July 12, 1966

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.
Chairman
All-Citizens Registration Committee
148 Auburn, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hill:

We are pleased to inform you that the Voter Education Project is making a supplementary grant in the amount of $1,500 to the All Citizens Registration Committee for a crash voter registration through the July 25 registration deadline and continuing through to August 15.

While we are pleased with the results of ACRC's registration program and its unique success in getting deputy registrars, we are quite displeased with the failure of ACRC to comply with our reporting procedure, both research and financial. It is our hope that ACRC will comply with our requirements during this crash program. Failure to do so can have a negative effect on future funding and programs.

Upon completion of your campaign, we are requesting a final narrative report on the entire program of ACRC

since being funded by VEP which is to include an evaluation of the student intern program.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/pf

July 13, 1966

Mr. R. O. Sutton
Vice President
Citizens Trust Company
212 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sutton:

Enclosedils our check in the amount of $750.00 to be deposited to the account of the Atlanta Voter Registration Research Account. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

ACRC

ALL-CITIZENS
REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
334 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303 - TELEPHONE 522-1420

July 14, 1966

Mr. Leon Hay, Chief Registrar
Fulton County, Suite 106
Fulton County Courthouse
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hay:

We have your letter concerning the ACRC Neighborhood Voter Registration Program. As you know there are some 700 citizens of both races working directly or indirectly with our committee. In Fulton County there are over a half million fine citizens, and there are also several thousand who are in one or more jails or penal institutions. Fortunately, in our society we do not punish or jail every citizen in a block, a family or a race because a few associated with them violate laws. I have enclosed several copies of a memorandum I sent out yesterday to key ACRC officers and leaders as well as Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy, Rev. F. C. Bennett and our Counsel, Senator Leroy Johnson.

First, permit me to announce that in my absence during the next few weeks July 17 through August 15, Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy will serve as Acting Chairman of ACRC.

In your letter you cited the following apparent violations of procedure by representatives of ACRC:

1. Sunday Registration

2. Providing Door to Door Registration Service

3. Failure to furnish proper schedule to the office of the Chief of Registrar.

4. Failure to discipline representatives of ACRC who violate procedure.

I accept personal responsibility for not notifying you of disciplinary action against certain ACRC representatives and failure to provide an up to date schedule for your office.

In this regard I have discontinued the freedom of letting our respective community leaders select public building locations and have eliminated rotating public locations in favor of permanent type locations for each section of the city as indicated in attached schedule.

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We have received a commitment from several churches to use their buses to bus outlying county citizens to Atlanta locations or Grady Hospital.

We have taken from our active list the following volunteer deputy registrars:

Mrs. Marion G. Hunt	Mrs. Olga B. Jones
Mrs. Buehler B. Hunter	Mrs. Bertha Lee Jordan
Mrs. Patricia A. Hurd	Mr. Wilbur T. Leaphart
Mrs. Ruby J. Jackson	Mrs. Emily A. Martin
Mrs. Addie H. Johnson	Mrs. Norma Kirkland
Mrs. Harriett Johnson	Mrs. Linda E. Robinson

We plan to eliminate 71 more as soon as we can talk to them. Even though some of these people may have violated rules unintentionly we are going to courteously eliminate them and not abruptly or insultingly.

We have not scheduled or authorized registration on Sunday. However, we have received a request for Sunday Registration from "Operation Breadbasket." We intend to comply with your requests.

However we request immediate approval of once a month Shopping Center Registration. You will recall several years ago you proposed Shopping Center Registration. We need these Shopping Centers to make up for cancelling local Ward and Princinct privileges.

We also request that both you and Mr. Archie Lindsey send a letter of apology and thanks to Mrs. Brayboy and Rev. Bennett. The report I received on their visit to your office was a clear indication that they were both insulted and embarrassed before persons who work under them. I am sure that this was not intentional, but the harm was done. These two persons are dedicated and have worked day or night for 3 years in the service of their county for no compensation. I would venture to say that their hours and service to the county exceed that of paid county employees.

Yours truly,

Jesse Hill, Jr.
Chairman

JHJr:b
cc: Mr. Archie Lindsey
Mr. Harold Sheats
Senator Leroy Johnson
Mrs. Ella Brayboy
Rev. F. C. Bennett
Mr. Vernon Jordan

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ALL-CITIZENS
REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
334 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303 - TELEPHONE 522-1420

July 14, 1966

To: All Ward and Precinct Leaders, Rev. F. C. Bennett and Senator Leroy Johnson

From: Jesse Hill, Jr., Chairman

Subject: Neighborhood Registration and Availability of Dupty Registrars.

I regret very much that we must withdraw the privilege we extended your Ward or Precinct to select Schools and Public Buildings as locations for neighborhood registration. We are also withdrawing the privilege of requesting certain Fulton County Volunteer Deputy Registrars. This action is necessary for us to save our program. See the attached copy of Mr. Hays letter to me threatening to stop our program. I received this letter this morning.

Effective immediately we will use only a limited easily controlled neighborhood center supervised directly from the Registration Office by Rev. Fred C. Bennett and Mrs. Ella Brayboy. I will be out of town July 17 to August 15, Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy, our Secretary, will be Acting Chairman of ACRC, Rev. Bennett, Coordinator-Executive Vice Chairman, and Senator Leroy Johnson, our Counsel.

In addition, we are striking from our list approximately 83 deputy registrars for various reasons leaving only 102 plus about 10 from the alliance who are working with us. It is therefore very important that you return all forms to Rev. Bennett or Mrs. Braybcy immediately.

Until further notice we are holding Neighborhood Registration only at places listed on the attached schedule as required in Mr. Hay's letter.

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ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303 · TELEPHONE 522-1420

ACRC Neighborhood Registration

Schedule Period July 11 - October 25

Date	Location	Hours
July 11, 12-Oct. 25	Grady Hospital (Every Mon. & Tues.)	(See attached letter)
July 16-Oct. 25	Carver Homes	5 PM - 9PM
	University-John Hope	"
	Bowen Homes	"
	Perry Homes	"
	Grady Homes	"
	Herndon Homes	"
	Eagan Homes	"

(Rent Week) Deputy Registrars Available At All Project Rent Offices

	Public Libraries	
July 13-Oct. 26	West Hunter	(See attached sheet)
	Dogwood	"
	Capitol Avenue	"
July 14-July 21	Utoy Springs Polling Office	1:30 PM - 4:00 PM
	(Club 400)	"

	Shopping Center	
July-October	Selected Center NE, SE, NW, SW	1:00 PM-5 PM Sat. 5:00 PM-9 PM Fri.

Submitted to Mr. Leon Hay, July 14, 1966

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REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
334 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303 - TELEPHONE 522-1420

July 18, 1966

Mr. Thad Olive
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

We appreciate receipt of the $750.00 payment on our recent $1500.00 grant. Please note that the $750.00 was immediately consumed by expenses. Please deposit the remaining $750.00 immediately in order that we may complete our vote drive unhampered.

Please note that already $586.42 in expense checks are overdrawn on the remaining $750.00, leaving only $163.58 with which to operate.

Very truly yours,

Jesse Hill, Jr.

Jesse Hill, Jr.
Chairman

JHJr:b:encl.

The CITIZENS TRUST Company

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

MEMBER FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

July 19, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

Your letter of July 13, 1966 with check for $750.00 has been received. Pursuant to your instructions, the check has been deposited to the account of Atlanta Voter Registration Research Account as evidenced by the enclosed validated receipt for deposit.

Very truly yours,

R. O. Sutton
Vice President

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Enclosure:

August 26, 1966

Citizens Trust Company
212 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $346.00 to be deposited to the account of the Tuskegee Civic Association. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

1406 9th Street
Alexandria, Louisiana
September 12, 1966

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Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Gentlemen:

Enclose we are sending reciptes that are paid for gas expenses. We regret very much we haven't sent them before now.

Sincerly Yours,
Houston Jackson
Director

September 7, 1966

Received from N.A.A.C.P. Summer Project

Twenty four and fifty seven cents Dollars 100

Transportation expenses

$ 24.57 P. J. Winston

Made in U. S. A.

August 31, 1966

Received from N.A.A.C.P. Summer Project Mr. P. J. Winston

Thirteen and 72/xx Dollars 100

8-15-1966 to 8-31-1966

$ 13.72/xx P. J. Winston

Made in U. S. A.

August 31, 1966

Received from N.A.A.C.P. Summer Project

Five and 94/xx Dollars 100

8-15-1966 to 8-31-1966

$ 5.94/xx Houston Jackson

Made in U. S. A.

August 31, 1966

Received *from* N.A.A.C.P. Summer Project to Rev. Joseph J. Ray

Six and 70/xx Dollars

8-15-66. to 8-31-'66

$ 6. 70/xx

Rev Joseph J. Ray

Made in U. S. A.

August 31, 1966

Received *from* N.A.A.C.P. Summer Project

Nine and 50/xx cents Dollars

Gas reimbursement 8-15-66 to 8-31-66

$ 9. 50/xx

Miss C M Lawrence

Made in U. S. A.

August 31, 1966

Received *from* N.A.A.C.P. Summer Project

Twenty five and 95/xx Dollars

Gas reimbursement 8-15-66 to 8-31-66

$ 25 95/xx

James Pierce

Made in U. S. A.

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ALL-CITIZENS
REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
334 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303 - TELEPHONE 522-1420

June 17, 1966

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Mr. Thad Olive
Assistant To Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

We have enclosed our reporting statements of June 8 and June 15. Please rush us the balance of our current grant plus our new grant deposit. We have asked the Citizens Trust Company to clear our overdeawn checks until we receive the new grant. Please rush.

Very truly yours,

Jesse Hill, Jr.

Jesse Hill, Jr.
Chairman

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ATLANTA VOTER REGISTRATION RESEARCH
P. O. Box 9182 - Station B
Atlanta, Georgia

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CITIZENS TRUST COMPANY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

JUNE 8, 66

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Mr. Harold Hersch

ATLANTA VOTER REGISTRATION RESEARCH

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ATLANTA VOTER REGISTRATION RESEARCH

For: Reimbursement of Expenses of High School (Six Atlanta Predominately Negro High Schools) Coordinated by Mrs. Winfred Jones, Counselor of Booker T. Washington High and Intern Dwight Jackson.

Haines & Company, Inc.
CENTRAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE
1121 West Tuscarawas St.
CANTON, OHIO 44702

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BLUE BOOK
FOR ATLANTA

ATLANTA SALES OFFICE
1655 PEACHTREE STREET N.E.
ROOM 805 -MONY BUILDING
ATLANTA GEORGIA, 30309
PHONE 873-4394

JUN 1 1966

All-Citizens Registration Committee
239 Auburn Ave., N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN THIS TOP PART WITH YOUR CHECK.

Haines & Co., Inc.
1121 TUSCARAWAS STREET, WEST
CANTON 2, OHIO

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LEASE SUBSCRIPTION FOR 12 MONTHS SERVICE
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1 Set (Atlanta City & Atlanta Suburban)	$77.50
State Sales & Use Tax (3%)	2.33
THIS AMOUNT NOW DUE	$79.83

September 16, 1966

Mr. R. O. Sutton
Citizens Trust Company
212 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sutton:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $750.00 to be deposited to the account of the Atlanta Voter Registration Research Committee. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
JOSEPHINE WILKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT
RUFUS E. CLEMENT, VICE-PRESIDENT
STEPHEN J. WRIGHT, VICE-PRESIDENT
PAUL R. CHRISTOPHER, VICE-PRESIDENT
RAYMOND M. WHEELER, CHAIRMAN, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
JOSEPH HAAS, COUNSEL
PAUL ANTHONY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
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A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

D U P L I C A T E

September 16, 1966

Jud 9-20-66 N.M.

Special Delivery

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.
Chairman
All Citizens Registration
Committee
c/o Atlanta Life Insurance Company
148 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hill:

In response to your letter of September 15, the Voter Education Project is depositing to your account $750.00, which is the balance of your supplementary grant made to the ACRC on July 12, 1966. These funds will be deposited to your account today, September 16, 1966.

Your request for $180.00 to be paid to interns is denied because VEP only committed itself to Mr. Barry Gaither, as a student intern with ACRC, we made no other commitment to Miss DeLores Bennett, and Mr. Richard Williams.

Thank you for the belated explanation of the three items we requested some time ago. While they are not completely satisfactory, we accept them. It is regrettable that ACRC is getting fewer volunteers because, of necessity, you had to cut down on free box lunches. We feel certain that the motivation to participate as a volunteer in voter registration in Atlanta is not triggered, or should not be triggered by box lunches.

At such time that the supplementary grant period expires, and the funds are expended, we request at your earliest possible convenience a final summary report of the activities of ACRC during the entire period of its voter registration project. This final report was a condition of the grant, and we trust that we may get it as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosures

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ALL-CITIZENS
REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
334 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303 - TELEPHONE 522-1420

ACRC Crash Neighborhood Registration

September 6th to September 19th

In pursuance of conferences with Fulton County Commissioners, Chief Registrar, Leon Hay, Attorney Harold Sheats, and community representatives , we hereby submit a list of Volunteer Deputy Registrars from our committee and several other community organizations and our schedule of Neighborhood Registration. Most of these persons have had prior experience as Fulton Volunteer Deputy Registrars. Stations include Housing Project offices, Shopping Centers, School units of churches, Grady Hospital, etc.

Registration Schedule

Public Housing Projects

Date	Location	Hours
September 6th	Perry Homes	9:00a.m.-8:00p.m.
" "	Bowen Homes	"
7th	Eagan Homes	"
", "	Grady Homes	"
" 8th	Techwood Homes	"
13th	Capital "	"
" "	Carver "	"
"	Herndon "	"

Shopping Centers

* September 9, 10, 16, & 17th	Fairburn - Gordon	5:30p.m.-9:00p.m.
* "	K-Mart (Bankhead)	"

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Shopping Centers, cont'd

	Date		Location	Hours
	September 9,10,16, & 17th		Colonial Bankhead Hwy	5:30p.m.-9:00p.m.
*	"	"	Georgia Ave.-Sumac EOA	"
*	"	"	Municipal Market (Edgewood)	"
	"	"	Whitehall-Hunter	"
	"	"	Rich's Broad	"
*	"	"	Highpoint (Pryor Rd.)	"
*	"	"	Perry Blvd.	"
	"	"	Boulevard	"
*	"	"	Hightower-Gordon	"
*	"	12,13,19th	Grady Hospital	
			Churches	
	"	14th	School Bldg. Wheat Street	"
	"	"	" " Warren Methodist	"
	"	"	" " Radcliffe Presb.	"
	"	"	" " St. Paul A.M.E.	"
	"	"	" " Beulah Baptist	"
	"	19th	" Unit Big Bethel A.M.E.	"
	"	"	" " Ebenezer	"
	"	"	" " Allen Temple	"
	"	"	" " Union Baptist	"
	"	"	" " Tabernacle Baptist	"

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REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
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Crash Voter Registration
Drive At Shopping Centers

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The All-Citizens Registration Committee (ACRC) is poised to carry its crash vote drive to neighborhood shopping centers this week-end, Friday 5:30 PM to 9:00 PM and Saturday 12:00 noon to 8 PM.

Monday, September 19th is the last chance for citizens to qualify to vote in the November General Election. ACRC is also registering citizens at Grady Hospital, Hughes Spalding and Public Housing Projects, as a supplement to the registration program at schools. The Committee this week in an effort to spur registration at school promoted a "write letter to Mom and Dad" program urging parents to come to the school to register.

According to Jesse Hill, Jr., ACRC Chairman, registration booths will be set up at the following Shopping Centers: Fairbur-Gordon, Hightower-Gordon, Highpoint-Pryor Road, Perry Boulevard, Georgia Avenue, Sumac EOA, Municipal Market, K-Mart-Bankhead Highway.

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September 15, 1966

Attorney Vernon Jordan, Director
Voter Education Research Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Please remit to us the balance of our grant of $750.00 plus $180.00 paid to interns as soon as possible. We have paid the interns Miss DeLores Bennett and Mr. Richard Williams from funds raised by All-Citizens. We are now engaged in a Crash Drive which ends September 19th. We need these funds badly. Attached is a news releasedescribing our final 3 days activities which will end with Grady Hospital and the Courthouse on September 19th.

Our staff offers the following response to three items you questioned:

1. The $200.00 check to Citizens Trust for a Cashier's Check was paid to the Greyhound Bus Company for amount due on buses that traveled to Jackson, Mississippi. Your check was deposited to our account and did not go directly to the Bus Company.

2. The Paschal's bill of $142.00 was box lunches furnished our volunteer deputy registrars. These volunteer deputy registrars received no compensation as in other cities. We only give them free transportation or gas and a box lunch. Interesting enough, fewer are volunteering because we cut down on box lunches where few people come to locations to register.

3. Aaron Rents. The Aaron Rents bill is broken down as follows:

Rental of Tables and Chairs and Platforms For Atlanta Stadium, Pittman Park.

22 8ft. long tables @ $2.25 each	$60.50
62 Chairs @ 0.30¢	18.60
Office Air-Condition Unit	23.90
	$103.00

Please remit as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

Jesse Hill, Jr.
Chairman

JHJr:b

The CITIZENS TRUST Company

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

MEMBER FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

September 20, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30302

Dear Mr. Olive:

Re: Account #01 08 22 5
Atlanta Voter Registration Research

Pursuant to the instructions contained in your letter of September 16th we have deposited the check of $750.00 to the above account. Validated receipt for deposit evidencing this transaction is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

R. O. Sutton
Vice President

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September 29, 1966

Mr. R. O. Sutton
Vice President
Citizens Trust Company
2121 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sutton:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $1,000.00 to be deposited to the account of the Citizenship Education Program. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 29, 1966

Mr. Clarence D. Coleman
Southern Regional Director
The National Urban League, Inc.
78 Marietta Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Coleman:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 10, 1966

Mr. Henry Pratt
Department of Political Science
Emory University
1380 S. Oxford Road, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Pratt:

Hereafter it'll be Henry. I'll also ask that you call me by my first name.

A copy of the study on the direct primary systems, by the National League of Women Voters, has been requested.

I'm looking forward to seeing you for Tuesday lunch. I believe we agreed that I would wait for you here at my office.

Thanks again for going to so much trouble.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:nm

October 12, 1966

State of Georgia
Department of Birth & Death Records
47 Trinity Avenue, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Please forward to me, at your earliest convenience, one copy of the birth certificate for Vernon Eulon Jordan, Jr., born in Fulton County, Atlanta, Georgia, August 15, 1935.

The reason for this request is to supply the certificate in the securing of a passport for overseas travel.

My check in the amount of $1.00 is enclosed to cover charges.

Yours truly,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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November 29, 1966

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.
Chairman
All-Citizens Registration Committee
148 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Jesse:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 21, informing the Voter Education Project that we may expect a final report of the 1966 Atlanta Voter Registration Campaign, sponsored by the All-Citizens Registration Committee, within a few days. We look forward to receiving that report as soon as possible, inasmuch as we are in the process of writing our final report for 1966, and doing an in depth research paper on the effect of the Negro vote in the 1966 elections. The report of the Atlanta project will be very helpful to in this regard.

We look forward, therefore, to receiving a final report of the All-Citizens Registration Committee at your earliest possible convenience.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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November 21, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan
Director, Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that in a few days we hope to prepare a final report of the 1966 Atlanta Voter Registration Campaign. Without the support of VEP this year and the past 4 years it is my belief that Atlanta's Negro Voter Registration would be less than 50,000 instead of over 70,000 at the present time.

The recent reactionary vote throughout the nation stirs me to look at 1967 plans.

Very truly yours,

Jesse Hill, Jr.
Chairman

JHJr:b

December 15, 1966

Mr. J. C. Daugherty
941 Jett Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Mr. Daugherty:

We are pleased to say that acceptances for our State Legislators' Seminar here are virtually 100 per cent. Our tentative plans call for the following topics and discussion leaders:

Representing the Poor -- Jack Greenberg, director-counsel NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund.

Southern Economics and Public Policy -- Dr. Vivian Henderson, noted economist and president of Clark College.

Welfare Programs -- Ed Sparer, professor at the Columbia University School of Social Work.

State Labor Legislation -- Dr. Emory Via, director of Southern Regional Council's labor program. Dr. Via is on leave from the University of Wisconsin.

Prison Reform and Juvenile Detention -- John Boone, director of Southern Regional

Council's project on crime and corrections. Mr. Boone is on leave from the staff of the federal prison system, where he holds the highest ranking post ever occupied by a Negro.

Effective Lawmaking and the Legislative Process -- Senator LeRoy Johnson of Georgia and Representative A. W. Willis of Tennessee. Senator Johnson and Representative Willis were the first Negro Legislators elected in modern times in their respective states.

Open disucssion of matters of general interest and concern among the legislators attending -- to be led by Senator Barbara Jordan of Texas and Senator Horace Ward of Georgia.

Please keep in mind that these subjects are tentative. If you have any suggestions about specific areas of discussion, please let us know and we will try to see that they are covered. We look forward to seeing you on the 29th. We feel certain that you will find this seminar both beneficial and challenging.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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December 21, 1966

Mr. R. O. Sutton
Vice President
Citizens Trust Company
212 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sutton:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $954.87 to be deposited to the account of the Citizenship Education Program. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Adminstrative Assistant

TO/pf

December 21, 1966

Mrs. Barbara Whittaker
78 Marietta Street, N.W.
Suite 411
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Whittaker:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

Same letter sent to:
Mr. C. Elwood Boulware
Mr. Hosea Williams
Mr. Hyland Daivs
Mr. Ernest A. Finney
Mr. E. D. Lawrence
Mr. Joe S. Merry
Mr. A. W. Willis
Mr. James E. McMullen
Mr. P. B. McCoy
Mr. Acie J. Belton

January 4, 1967

Mr. Jesse Hill
Atlanta Life Insurance Company
148 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hill:

In our grant letter to the All Citizens Registration Committee, we included a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations, and asked that you and officers of your project become familiar with them. A recent audit of your project's reporting indicates that your organization has not complied with provisions of our Reporting Requirements, i.e., instructing the bank to mail all bank statements directly to the Voter Education Project. This oversight on your part has not faciliated our performing certain necessary auditing procedures.

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As previously mentioned failure to comply with provisions of our Guidelines and Reporting Requirements may seriously jeopardize future funding by the VEP; therefore, may we have the bank statements of the All Citizens Registration Committee at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Voter Education Project
Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations.

1. A separate bank account will be opened and used solely for deposit and disbursement of funds under this grant.

2. Deposit slips and a copy of the signature card on this bank account are furnished to VEP.

3. The bank is instructed to mail all bank statements and cancelled checks to VEP. If this instruction is violated by the bank these documents must be forwarded UNOPENED to VEP.

4. Payments for such purchases or services relevant to the grant are to be made from the above-mentioned bank account and should be made by check whenever possible.

5. Cash expenditures should be kept to a minimum and when they are made are to be supported by vouchers to which receipts and/or invoices (or copies thereof) are attached.

6. Items on vouchers supporting cash expenditures must be broken down to show amount spent for each item; viz,

Right		Wrong	
Office supplies	$5.00	Office supplies and Postage	$5.60
Postage	.60		
Total	$5.60		

7. Vouchers supporting the purchase of advertising or printing should have attached to them samples of such materials when feasible (placards, newspaper ads, bumper stickers, etc.) or exact texts when samples are not possible (as in radio ads and billboards). This is also a research requirement.

8. Personal loans are not to be made from VEP funds nor should payments for activities on non-grant projects be made even when a re-deposit of like amount is intended later.

9. VEP funds are not to be used for the payment of poll tax, under any circumstances, not even in the form of loans.

10. All voided checks, cash vouchers, and supporting receipts, invoices, media samples, and travel expense forms must be attached to a properly filled out weekly report and mailed to VEP each_____. These reports are to be certified by the individual responsible for the project by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the bottom of weekly report.

11. When you make a direct grant to a regional affiliate, detailed expenditures of this direct grant must be supported by this same method of reporting either directly to VEP or through you to VEP.

12. When your regional affiliates make direct grants to local groups detailed expenditures of these direct grants must be supported by this same method of reporting either directly to VEP or through the regional affiliate or through you to VEP.

IN OTHER WORDS (RE 11 and 12) DIRECT GRANTS CANNOT BE MADE TO REGIONAL OR LOCAL GROUPS WITHOUT FULL ACCOUNTING TO VEP FOR THE EXPENDITURES OF THESE DIRECT GRANTS.

13. All reports, vouchers, bank statements, and cancelled checks will be retained by VEP. Should the grantee need access to these records they will be available.

Submit all financial reports to Thaddeus Olive, Jr.,

Administrative Aide, Voter Project.

Georgia Council ON HUMAN RELATIONS
52 Fairlie Street, N. W. • 404/525-6468 • Atlanta, Georgia 30303

VEP 66-86

November 29, 1965

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Mr. Vernon Jordan
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Vernon:

Welcome back to SRC. We are so happy that you are again in the family. Although, I must confess I always thought of you as still with us.

I have been thinking of Voter Education and have something that I would like to try.

I would like to develop a series of six programs on Voting to be used in Georgia..these would be simple -- but important -- they would be on why that little slip of paper means so much -- how to mark that ballot so it isn't thrown out -- what are my rights at the polls ---etc. I believe with some help I can do this. Then I'd like to call a meeting of Negro leaders and council leaders from over the state. (Somewhat similar to the group we got for education last year), and demonstrate the use of these materials.

Any preacher could have a six week course in his church on his mid week meeting. Any voters league could have the same thing. It would be specific enough so with a days explanation, anyone could take it home and do it.

Would you help us with this? In some places it would be a good council project. In other places NAACP or Voters League or local preacher?

Whatcha think of it? It is not going to be a costly endeavor. Your consultation -- some help on producing materials perhaps. Maybe a little cash to pay one person to help me with the writing of the materials -- if you have that much in your budget.

MR. JOSEPH HENDRICKS, PRESIDENT
MRS. FRANCES PAULEY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
THE REVEREND AUSTIN FORD, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT
MR. A. J. MCCLUNG, SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT
MRS. HARRY V. RICHARDSON, SECRETARY
MR. JOHNNY GLUSTROM, TREASURER
THE REVEREND OLIVER W. HOLMES, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

I need money, Vernon, but I'm not asking for money alone. I'm asking for help in a pilot project in Georgia that might help to keep Baker from having its ballots thrown out at the next election. Or Crawfordville -- those ballots really weren't marked correctly -- and also the polls are not manned properly. But it won't change until more people know their specific voting rights.

Call me and we can talk further, if you are interested.

Sincerely yours,

Frances

Mrs. Frances Pauley
Executive Director

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cc: Mr. Paul Anthony

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June 7, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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Dear Mr. Jordan:

The All-Citizens Registration Committee (ACRC) hereby setsforth a grant proposal to the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council. Our Committee is composed of a coalition of political, civic, ministerial, civil rights and educational organizations. Our organization has pioneered in the field of Voter Registration, citizenship education and leadership training since 1946. ACRC has conducted or coordinated every significant voter registration drive in metropolitan Atlanta since 1946. At the present time we are just completing a program here in Atlanta under a Voter Education Project Grant.

We propose a second program for Atlanta that will permit us to capitalize and get full benefit from the foundation built during the period of our first grant program. Our first grant period ran from March 28, 1966 through June 3, 1966. We are hereby requesting a grant to assist us in conducting an all out drive from June 6 through July 26 (Date Books Close) a period of 7½ weeks, "Operation Breakthrough."

As described in attached exhibits we are deploying some 225 registrars in strategic areas of mass Negro citizen traffic. We have set up permanent registration stations at Grady Memorial Hospital (3000 daily clinical traffic) by agreement with Grady Supt. J. W. Pinkston; we have also set permanent registration at the three predominately Negro used Public Libraries, and all predominately Negro public housing projects. We have also arranged to set up voter registration stations at the Atlanta Stadium and the City Auditorium for future Rock & Roll shows.

(More)

The key personnel of the program are listed below:

General Campaign Chairman - Jesse Hill, Jr.

Campaign Planning Committee: Key Community Leaders and officers of Committee.

Campaign Director - Open - Depends On Salary Budget

Student Interns (4)

Field Work Assistants (4)

Full-Time Secretary - Open (1)

Part-Time Secretaries - Open (4)

The Campaign period will run from June 6th through July 26th.

We have attached a detailed budget for the above program.

Please note, we need immediate go ahead on four (4) student interns for summer months, you will recall that we did not use our budget for 4 @ $250.00. We only used 2 @ $75.00 who were dropped because of grad status, and the other two we are recommending $125.00 a balance of $50.00 due Doris Dozier and Dwight Jackson.

Very truly yours,

Jesse Hill, Jr.
Chairman

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PROPOSED CAMPAIGN BUDGET

Campaign Director, Salary 7 weeks @ $100.00	$700.00
*Executive Vice Chairman, Expense 7 weeks @ $25.00	175.00
Field Work Assistants (3) 7 weeks @ $35.00	735.00
Chief Secretary (1) 7 weeks @ $55.00	385.00
Secretary (1 Day, 1 Night) 7 weeks @ $40.00	560.00
Clerical Help 7 weeks @ $30.00	210.00
Office Supplies	250.00
Printing, Placards, Handbills, Books, Stationery	450.00
Voter Lists	250.00
Postage	300.00
Telephone Headquarters	40.00
Special Church Minister's Project	375.00
Headquarters Rent 2 Months @ $85.00	170.00
Transportation	525.00
Publicity, Portable Sound Cars, Radio Newspapers, Cards, etc.	610.00
Huge Appreciation Affair	500.00
8 Appreciation Affairs For Outlying Sections @ $40.00	320.00
	$6,555.00

SOURCES OF BUDGET

VEP Grant	$3,000.00
COPE, SCLC or Louis Martin	2,500.00
All-Citizens Registration Committee	1,055.00
	$6,555.00

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June 7, 1966

To: Fulton County Volunteer Deputy Registrars

From: Jesse Hill, Jr., Chairman ACRC, Mrs. Ella Brayboy, Secretary, Rev. F. C. Bennett, Coordinator

Subject: Assignment Schedule - SOUTH BRANCH LIBRARY

We have received from Fulton County Chief Registrar, Leon Hay, the certified list of Volunteer Deputy Registrars. You are one of the certified volunteers and you have been commissioned and authorized to register all eligible citizens, your commission expires December 31, 1966.

Please note, some of our volunteers failed to sign the other list. If you did not get an opportunity to sign the form during the orientation session we had several weeks ago, please go to the Registrar's Office as soon as possible, Room #106, and identify yourself as a Fulton County Deputy Registrar. Ask for permission to sign the "Oath List of Volunteer Deputy Registrars."

We again express our appreciation and congratulations to you for your fine civic spirit. The following volunteer deputy registrars are requested to report for duty at the South Branch Library, located at 929 Capitol Avenue, on alternate Thursdays 5:30PM to 8:30Pm and Saturdays 1PM to 4:30PM as indicated below:

Group A	Group B
Thursdays-June 9,23-July 7,21	Thursdays-June 16,30-July14,28
Saturdays-June 18-July 2,16	Saturdays-June 11,25-July 9,23
Annie L. Adams	Sarah Houston
Carolyn S. Atwater	Simon L. Lawson
Bertha G. Barton	Curtis M. McWhorter
Carrie N. Berry	Bernice L. Miller
Frances Brown	Conchita B. Osborne
Lue H. Brown	Virginia Pace
C. G. Ezzard	Mary J. Rushin
Myrtle P. Ford	Sylvia Staggs
Helen E. Fuller	Retha C. Strozier
Doris Gaston	illie M. Thomas
Velma R. Glenn	Horace H. Tribble
Doris Grimes	Annette E. Watkins
Mable Henderson	Roy Weems, Jr.

Nellie T. Wright

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June 6, 1966

To: Fulton County Volunteer Deputy Registrars

From: Jesse Hill, Jr., Chairman ACRC

Subject: Assignment Schedule - WEST HUNTER BRANCH LIBRARY

We have received from Fulton County Chief Registrar, Leon Hay, the certified list of Volunteer Deputy Registrars. You are one of the certified volunteers and you have been commission ed and authorized to register all eligible citizens, your commission expires December 31, 1966.

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We again express our appreciation and congratulations to you for your fine civic spirit. The following volunteer deputy registrars are requested to report for duty at the West Hunter Branch Library, located on Hunter St., N. W. at Morris Brown Drive, on alternate Wednesdays 5:30PM to 7:30 PM and Saturdays 1:00PM to 4:30PM as indicated below:

Group A	Group B
Wednesdays-June 8,11-July 6,20	Wednesdays-June 15,29-July 13
Saturdays-June 18-July 2,16	Saturdays-June 11,25-July 9,23
Ira F. Baity	Virginia L. Preston
M. J. Beavers	Iola Price
Ida Chestnut	Mrs. Robert Lee Pye
Helen J. Collins	Hannah Prothro
Rachel Duncan	Amanda Ragin
Louise B. Favors	Mrs. Bobbie K. Sanford
Shirley W. Fleminster	Portia A. Scott
Rochell L. Goosby	Nancy Jane Terry
Margaret M. Guest	Annie R. Tigner
Carey S. Howard	Carrie Thornton
Nora Howard	Janice E. Thornton
Harriett Johnson	Dorothy L. Thorpe
Bertha Lee Jordan	Raymond A. Wainwright, Jr.
Norma Kirkland	Louise Watley
Simon L. Lawson	Elizabeth Webb
Myrtle W. Lyons	Howard Williams
Emily A. Martin	Irma W. Williams
Ruth V. Morgan	Juanita Williams
Georgia Morrison	Eugene B. Wimby
Helen C. Nash	Bettye B. Wynn
Delores W. Pickett	Vivian B. York
Harry E. Pierce	Christine D. Young
Joyce R. Bacote	Willie Laney, Jr
Mattie T. Brown	Marvin C. Mangham
Claudia B. Cleveland	Maggie L. Moody
R. C. Hackney	Bernard Parks
Loretta W. Hamler	William K. Patterson
DeLoris C. Hill	Betty C. Shepard
Lillian Hill	Mildred W. Terry
Ruby J. Jackson	Laura J. Woods

Rev. F. C. Bennett, Coordinator - Mrs. Ella M. Brayboy, Secretary,

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June 3, 1966

To: Fulton County Volunteer Deputy Registrars

From: Jesse Hill, Jr., Chairman ACRC

Subject: Assignment Schedule

We have received from Fulton County Chief Registrar, Leon Hay, the certified list of Volunteer Deputy Registrars. You are one of the certified volunteers and you have been commissioned and authorized to register all eligible citizens, your commission expires December 31, 1966.

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We again express our appreciation and congratulations to you for your fine civic spirit.

The following volunteer deputy registrars are requested to report for duty at the Butler Street Entrance Lobby of Grady Memorial Hospital, as indicated below:

EVERY MONDAY JUNE 13th
THROUGH JULY 25th.

MORNING SESSION 8:30 to 11:30AM	MIDDAY SESSION 1:00-3:30PM
Mrs. Cassie Edwards	Mrs. Carrie Clements
Mrs. Bessie M. Montague	Mrs. Hazel P. Ellison
Rev. E. H. Dorsey	Mrs. Frances Abercrombie
Mrs. Elizabeth Brantley	Mrs. F. H. Brown
Mrs. Mae L. Middleton	Mrs. Otelia Russell
Mrs. Ruth Allen	Mrs. Delores Shelton
Mrs. Mildred Campbell	Mrs. Henry F. Shorter
Mrs. Azira G. Hill	Mrs. Roberta Wainwright
Mrs. Laura A. Brown	Mrs. Ruby Arnold
Mrs. Margaret Grant	Mrs. Margaret Perkins
Mrs. Ruth Sturdevant	Rev. J. C. Ward
Mrs. Rosa Lea	Mrs. Eunice Cooper
Mrs. Olga B. Jones	Mrs. Buehler B. Hunter

EVENING SESSION 5:30 - 8:00PM	HUGHES SPALDING PAVILION 6:30 - 9PM
Mrs. Dorothy Champion	Mrs. Carlton Andrews
Mrs. Louise Bradley	Mrs. Addie Holt Johnson
Mrs. Carmel Burson	Mrs. Bessie McMillan
Mrs. Sammye Wells	Mrs. Eunice Johnson
Mrs. Gloria Collins	
Miss JoAnn Cooper	
Mrs. Mamie Sue Ellison	
Mrs. Laura Woods	
Mrs. Mary W. McGauley	
Mrs. Annie Doris Hall	
Mrs. JoAnn McClinton	
Mrs. Winifred Jones	
Mrs. Wilhelmina Johnson	
Mrs. Mozelle Little	
Mrs. Mattie Favors	
Mrs. Tommie H. Weeks	
Mr. Hubert Murray	

July 20, 1966

The North DeKalb Chapter of the Georgia Council on Human Relations is beginning a voter registration project for all of DeKalb County, excluding the Kirkwood-Edgewood area which is part of the all-city voter registration project under Jesse Hill.

Until July 25, we will limit our efforts to the Lynnwood and Chamblee-Doraville areas, and after that date we will expand into the rest of the county. After our voter registration drive is running as smoothly as possible, we hope to begin a Voter Education Project. The registration program will extend until September 19, 1966 and the Voter Education Project will extend until November 8, 1966.

In DeKalb County, only 7,100 Negroes are registered out of 12,600 Negroes eligible to register, and we suspect that the greatest concentration of Negro registered voters are found in the Kirkwood area. Our goals are to register all of the eligible Negroes in our area and to educate the people on the importance of exercising this right. We also hope that a county wide drive in the Negro communities will encourage the citizens to think in terms of a county problem instead of being only concerned with problems in their own isolated communities. Presently all community action is atomized, with little coordination and communication between the communities. Most of our work will be door-to-door canvassing, advertising, and providing transportation to the registrars office. We will try to get some deputy registrars in to the communities after July 25.

Rev. Howard Mack has been elected the Director of our program. He will coordinate our efforts and allocate the money that we hope to get. We have two secretaries, and we will have 3 voters aids who will guide the efforts in the field, provide the transportation, etc.

The proposed budget for our program is:

1. Salaries		$285.00
a. Director for 3 weeks - $50.00 week		150.00
b. 3 Voter aids for 3 wks 15.00 week		135.00
2. Office supplies		20.00
3. Transportation		100.00
4. Printing, advertising, misc.		60.00
	Total	$465.00

BACKGROUND:

Politically, the county is conservative with a strong "Birchite" influence. Integration has proceeded with difficulty and has not been voluntary. For example, there is still a great deal of difficulty in desegregating the schools. Progress has only followed strong threats by the federal government. Negroes have not run for office or do they hold appointive jobs with the exception of federal programs that are administered through the county.

There are two other active chapters of the Georgia Council on Human Relations, but to our knowledge, none of these councils have had an intensive voter registration drive. There is a NAACP chapter which is considered conservative and inactive by the people. The feeling of the community toward fuller citizen participation can be generally

described as apathetic.

The hours for voter registration in the court house are 8:30 - 5:00 Monday through Friday normally. From now until the 25th, the registrar's office will be open from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday nights and on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. We do not expect any trouble with the process of registration. Our largest obstacle will be giving the citizens a real reason why they must vote and work together to help change DeKalb County.

August 11, 1966

Mrs. Frances Pauley
52 Fairlie Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Pauley:

In his letter of August 1, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings held, people contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and <u>not by estimate</u>.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program began July 15, we will need reports from you on August 15, and August 29.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you on August 31 after your program has been completed. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program

or from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Mr. Marvin Wall will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclsoure:
check $465.00

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Check in the amount of $465.00 received from VEP on this 8-3 day of _____, 1966

Signed Rev Howard J. Mack
Mrs. Frances Pauley
Georgia Council on Human Relations

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

Wiley A. Branton, Project Director

BUDGET REVISION: GEORGIA COUNCIL ON HUMAN RELATIONS

VEP 66-86, Report due Monday of each week

July 15 to August 26, 1966	3 Week Program
Director @ $50. per week	$150.00
(3) Task Force Workers @ $15. per week	135.00
Supplies	20.00
Transportation	100.00
Printing and Advertising	60.00
	$465.00

Georgia Council ON HUMAN RELATIONS
52 Fairlie Street, N. W. • 404/525-6468 • Atlanta, Georgia 30303

October 23, 1967

Mr. Thaddeus Oliver, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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Dear Thad:

I talked with Vernon at the time the North DeKalb Voter project was finished and he said let the north DeKalb Chapter transfer the funds to their regular bank account. I asked Rev. Mack to do this.

I don't know why it continues to be a problem. However if you will contact Mr. Howard Mack, 4112 Deacon Lane, Atlanta, Georgia, (457-5477) he can explain the situation and return the money if you so desire.

Sincerely,

Frances

Mrs. Frances Pauley

FP/cm
cc: Mr. Howard Mack

REV. C. S. HAMILTON, PRESIDENT
THE REVEREND AUSTIN FORD, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT
MR. C. W. AYCOCK, SECRETARY
MR. JOHNNY GLUSTROM, TREASURER
MR. JOHN L. MCCOWN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
MR. HUBERT THOMAS

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
522-8764

PAUL ANTHONY
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

October 10, 1967

Mrs. Frances Pauley
52 Fairlie Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Pauley:

In 1966, the Voter Education Project made a grant to ~~Georgia Council on Human Relations~~.

In view of the fact that this account is inactive, it becomes necessary for us to close out this account. Our records indicate that you have a balance in the bank, ~~The Chamblee National Bank~~, in the amount of $_____. Please return said balance ($ 75.72) to the Voter Education Project immediately.

If we can be of further service to you in getting this matter cleared up, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm

cc:

November 15, 1966

Mr. R. O. Sutton
Vice President
Citizens Trust Company
212 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sutton:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $365.00 to be deposited to the account of the Citizenship Education Program. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 15, 1966

Mrs. Barbara I. Whittaker
Citizenship and Education Program
78 Marietta Street, N.W. Suite 400
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Whittaker:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip indicating amount deposited in your account, and) c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 23, 1966

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Vice President
The Citizens Trust Company
212 Auburn, Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

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Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 23, 1966

Mrs. Barbara I. Whittaker
78 Marietta Street, N.W. Suite 411
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Barbara:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $373.00 to be deposited to the account of the Citizenship Education Program. Alos enclosed are deposit slips.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 28, 1966

Mr. R. O. Sutton
Vice President
The Citizens Trust Company
212 Auburn, Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sutton:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $373.00 to be deposited to the account of the Citizenship Education Program. Also enclosed are deposit slips.

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Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

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Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

VEP 66-86

December 3, 1969

The C & S Bank of Chamblee
Chamblee, Georgia

Gentlemen:

The Southern Regional Council's Georgia Council on Human Relations, Account No. 00-01782-2, is no longer an operating organization. The Southern Regional Council has provided funds for that account and would like to withdraw the remaining funds at this time.

We would appreciate it if you would close the account by returning the remaining $55.47 by a check made out to the Southern Regional Council at the above address, or by contacting me at 522-7495 to explain how the funds may be withdrawn.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Marilyn Adamson
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

cc: Mrs. Frances Pauley

December 5, 1966

Mr. George Ware
360 Nelson Street, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Ware:

Pursuant to our conversation of Thursday night, please find enclosed several copies of our guidelines. If we can be of any service to you in this area, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

December 6, 1966

Mrs. Barbara I. Whittaker
78 Marietta Street, N.W.
Suite 411
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Whittaker:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

December 5, 1966

Mr. R. O. Sutton
Vice President
Citizens Trust Company
212 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sutton:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $790.00 to be deposited to the account of the Citizenship Education Program. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

January 6, 1967

Mr. James L. Bentley
Comptroller General
State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Bentley:

I am informed that Mr. Curtis Thomas of Thomasville, Georgia is being considered by your office for the position of fire marshal. I am pleased to say that I have known Mr. Thomas for several years and have been closely associated with him during the past year. I know Mr. Thomas to be trustworthy, dependable, intelligent and an energetic worker. He is always courteous and pleasant to work with. I am certain that you will find him to be a valuable employe. In short, I recommend Mr. Thomas highly.

I will be out of the country during the next four weeks. Upon my return, however, I will be happy to answer any specific questions that you might have.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/pf

January 9, 1967

Mr. R. O. Sutton
Vice President
Citizens Trust Company
2121 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sutton:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $620.13 to be deposited to the account of the Citizenship Education Program. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO/pf

January 9, 1967

Mrs. Barbara I. Whittaker
78 Marietta Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Barbara:

This is your last installment.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 23, 1966

Mrs. Merlyn E. Richardson
First Vice President
League of Women Voters of Georgia
3121 Maple Drive, N.E.
Suite 2
Atlanta, Georgia 30305

Dear Mrs. Richardson:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the League of Women Voters of Georgia, for a grant to disseminate instructions on voting procedures in the November 8 election. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $200.00.

Our check in the amount of $200.00 is enclosed. Please sign and return the enclosed receipted carbon copy immediately.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support in your citizenship education activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding special reporting requirements to the Project.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Anda million thanks,

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RECEIPT

Check in the amount of $200.00 received from VEP on this 25th day of October, 1966

Signed: Eleanor L. Richardson
Mrs. Merlyn E. Richardson
First Vice President
League of Women Voters of Georgia

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
OF GEORGIA

3121 Maple Drive, N.E.
Suite 2

ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30305
Telephone 237-2559

Affiliated with the
League of Women Voters of the United States

October 24, 1966

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Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Gentlemen:

The League of Women Voters of Georgia requests from the Voter Education Project, Southern Regional Council, the sum of $200.00 for disseminating instructions on voting procedures in the November 8th election.

The money will be used to buy twelve audio-visual 60-second tapes that will be mailed to the twelve television stations in Georgia. The stations can use these tapes on their public service time. The cost of materials and mailing is all that we are requesting. The filming and taping time, the use of the WAII studio facilities, the technicians' time and the time of the narrator have all been donated as a service.

The League of Women Voters of Georgia feels that this non-partisan citizen education will be extremely helpful at this pre-election time. The tapes will tell how to vote a straight party ticket, how to split the ticket and how to vote a write-in on the paper ballot, the voting machine and the Votomatic.

We will remind people, through radio spots of varying time lengths, that they can and should ask the poll managers for any help needed on any voting procedure. The entire 60-second script for the audio-visual tape will also be sent to the radio stations. We hope to mail these tapes out by October 27 which will allow approximately ten days of usage at the stations.

Financial Reporting -- We are prepared to meet all requirements regarding the separate bank account. We bank at the First National Bank of Atlanta (Buckhead Branch) and can easily arrange for a separate account for your purposes.

We are prepared to give you a follow-up report and provide you with a copy of the finalized script.

Sincerely,

Eleanor C. Richardson

Mrs. Merlyn E. Richardson
First Vice-President

ER:FS

November 1, 1966

Mrs. Merlyn E. Richardson
First Vice President
League of Women Voters of Georgia
3121 Maple Drive, N.E.
Suite 2
Atlanta, Georgia 30305

Dear Mrs. Richardson:

In his letter of October 23, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These reports are necessary to assess and evaluate programs and to make our own reportsof our activities

For your program, a single short report will be sufficient. This report should state how many television programs were carried as a result of your project, and approximately how many viewers saw these programs. A brief summary of how the project was planned and carried out should be included. Please describe any problems and difficulities encountered. Copies of any materials used should be included with your report.

We wish you every success in carrying out your project. If we can be of any service, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

TO
VEP-ab

September 12, 1966

Mr. Clarence D. Coleman
Southern Regional Director
The National Urban League, Inc.
78 Marietta Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Coleman:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the National Urban League for a grant to conduct leadership training and citizenship education workshops in two communities -- one urban area, Jacksonville (Duval County), Florida, and another rural complex, Hobson City-Oxford (Calhoun County), Alabama. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $5,000 for a ten week period.

The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Personnel	$ 2,400.00
b)	Travel & Maintenance	910.00
c)	Space Cost & Rental	250.00
d)	Equipment (Rental) prices based on GSA Catalogue	400.00
e)	Consumable Supplies	740.00
f)	Telephones	300.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program, a copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected bi-monthly, on Monday. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

September 29, 1966

Mr. Clarence D. Coleman
Southern Regional Director
The National Urban League, Inc.
78 Marietta Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Coleman:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 29, 1966

Mr. R. O. Sutton
Vice President
Citizens Trust Company
2121 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sutton:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $1,000.00 to be deposited to the account of the Citizenship Education Program. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

The CITIZENS TRUST Company

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

MEMBER FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

September 30, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Your letter of September 29, 1966 with check for $1,000.00 enclosed has been received. The new account has been opened as per your instructions. Validated receipt for deposit evidencing this transaction and account number card are enclosed. Please be sure that the account number appears on each subsequent deposit.

Very truly yours,

R. O. Sutton
Vice President

ROS/lgh
Enclosures:

October 21, 1966

Mrs. Barbara I. Whittaker
78 Marietta Street, N.W.
Suite 411
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Barbara:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 21, 1966

The Citizens Trust Company
212 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of ~~$245.00~~ 245 to be deposited to the account of the Citizenship Education Program. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

November 3, 1966

Mr. R. O. Sutton
Vice President
Citizens Trust Company
212 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sutton:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $517.00 to be deposited to the account of the Citizenship Education Program. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 3, 1966

Mrs. Barbara I. Whittaker
78 Marietta Street, N.W.
Suite 411
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Barbara:

It has been a pleasure to have your proposal in our files. I am well aware of the substantial part you played in preparing this proposal, and I wish to express my gratitude for your cooperation.

On Thursday and Friday, November 10, and 11, I will be in Jacksonville to get acquainted with Mr. Wilberson and the Project. May I have his address so that I may inform him of my coming.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

Memo . . . FROM THE DESK OF

B. I. WHITAKER

DATE 11-3-66

Thad,

We have a new secretary who opened this statement in error. I am forwarding the entire mailing from Citizens Trust. I have asked Mrs. Ruth Naylor to adhere to the mailing instructions which were given at the time that the account was opened.

Thank you,

Barbara

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ATLANTA, GEORGIA

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November 7, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Pursuant to the instructions contained in your letter of November 3, 1966 in which you enclosed a check for $517.00, we have made the deposit to the account of the Citizenship Education Program.

Validated receipt evidencing this deposit is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

R. O. Sutton
Vice President

ROS/lgh
Enclosure:

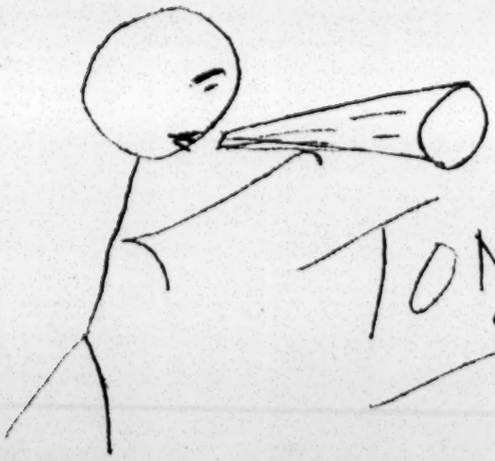
Nov. 17, 1966

DO YOU HAVE A Child in School?

ARE YOU CONCERNED With the Needed Changes Of the School System?

THEN PLAN TO ATTEND A MEETING TONight! at 7:30 p.m.

AFRO-AMERICAN INS. CO.
101 E. UNION St.



TOWN Meeting TONight!

SPONSORED
BY THE
JACKSONVILLE URBAN LEAGUE
CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION PROGRAM
356-0651

EMPLOYMENT AND EDUCATION PROBLEMS

1. DO YOU HAVE A PROBLEM IN GETTING A GOOD JOB?

2. DO YOU KNOW WHERE TO GET ON THE JOB TRAINING---AND BE PAID, TOO'

3. IS THERE A NEED FOR A STATE MINIMUM WAGE LAW?

4. WILL YOU AND YOUR FAMILY BENEFIT FROM THE EXISTING MINIMUM WAGE LAW?

5. ARE YOUR WORKING CONDITIONS AS PLEASANT AS THEY SHOULD BE?

6. IS QUALITY INTEGRATED EDUCATION GOING TO BECOME A REALITY IN OUR TIME?

7. WILL WE BE GETTING THE QUALITY TEACHERS IN OUR SCHOOLS THAT ARE NEEDED?

8. HOW NEAR ARE WE TO REACCREDITION OF OUR HIGH SCHOOLS?

9. HOW CAN WE DECREASE THE HIGH-RATE OF HIGH SCHOOL DROPOUTS?

10. HOW CAN THE BUDGET BE IMPROVED TO PROMOTE OUR SCHOOL SYSTEM?

AS A LEADER IN YOUR COMMUNITY,
IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO
GET THE ANSWERS TO THESE QUES*
TIONS TO HELP YOUR FRIENDS
AND NEIGHBORS IMPROVE THEIR
CONDITIONS!

DATE: THURSDAY NIGHT - NOVEMBER 3rd

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

PLACE: AFRO-AMERICAN LIFE INS. CO.
AUDITORIUM
101 E. UNION ST.

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THE

JACKSONVILLE URBAN LEAGUE
EDUCATION PROGRAM
524 BROAD STREET
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA 32202
TELEPHONE: 356-0651

END-OF-MEETING EVALUATION

1. Were you interested in this meeting? Very much___ Quite a bit___ Some, but not much___ Very little___

2. Did you feel that the group was interested in this meeting? Very much___ Quite a bit___ Some, but not much___ Very little___

3. Did you learn any new facts or get any new ideas? Yes, many___ Quite a few___ Some, but not very many___ Very few, if any___

4. Did you change any of your previous opinions as a result of this meeting? Yes, many___ Quite a few___ some, but not very many___ Very few, if any___

5. Were your previous opinions confirmed or strengthened? Very much___ Quite a bit___ Some, but not much___ Very little___

6. Did you think the group accomplished anything as a result of this meeting? It certainly did___ It probably did___ I doubt if it did___ It did not___

7. Was there enough preparation for the meeting? More than needed___ All that was needed___ should have been more___ Should have been much more___

8. Was there enough opportunity for discussion? Too much___ All that was needed___ Should have been more___ Should ha been much more___

9. Would the meeting have been better if some parts had been left out? Certainly___ Maybe___ Probably___ Definitely not___

10. Did you find the social atmosphere of the meeting congenial and enjoyable? Excellent___ Quite good ___ All right___ Defini ly not

11. Do you have suggestions (about techniques, materials, etc.) for improving future meetings? (Use other side of the page if necessary).

JACKSONVILLE URBAN LEAGUE
EDUCATION PROGRAM
524 Broad St.
356-0651

The Jacksonville Urban League is sponsoring a LEADERSHIP TRAINING AND CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION WORKSHOP. This project is designed to help minority members to become better citizens in their community by taking active roles in community planning and activities such as the School Budget, enforcing the housing code, minimum wage laws, job opportunities, how to get minority members elected, and creating fact-finding committees for the purpose of determining information needed and resources and methods for obtaining the information. The schedule of program will include various other topics that will be of great importance to the community.

THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY
WON'T YOU TAKE PART?

November 28, 1966

Mr. R. O. Sutton
Vice President
The Citizens Trust Company
212 Auburn, Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sutton:

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Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

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Atlanta, Georgia

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Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

The CITIZENS TRUST Company

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

MEMBER FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

December 22, 1966

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Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

Pursuant to the instructions contained in your letter of December 21, 1966 in which you enclosed a check for $954.87, we have made the deposit to the account of Citizenship Education Program. Validated receipt for deposit evidencing this transaction is enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

R. O. Sutton
Vice President

ROS/lgh
Enclosure:

January 9, 1967

Mrs. Barbara I. Whittaker
78 Marietta Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Barbara:

This is your last installment.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

January 9, 1967

Mr. R. O. Sutton
Vice President
Citizens Trust Company
2121 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sutton:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $620.13 to be deposited to the account of the Citizenship Education Program. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO/pf

The CITIZENS TRUST Company

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

MEMBER FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

January 10, 1967

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Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Pursuant to the instructions contained in your letter of January 9, 1967 in which was enclosed a check for $620.13, we have deposited the check to Citizenship Education Program. Validated receipt for deposit evidencing this transaction is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

R. O. Sutton
Vice President

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Enclosure:

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April 13, 1967

Mr. Thad Olive
Adminisistrative Assistant
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Thad:

Enclosed you will find our final weekly reporting form. According to our records, and confirmed by you in our telephone conversation on Tuesday afternoon, the account is forty-four cents ($.44) overdrawn. Per your instructions, I am holding the refunds of petty cash from Mr. Wilkerson in Jacksonville and from my own fund until the deposit has been returned from Anniston, Alabama for the telephone in Hobson City.

The Citizenship Education Workshops were more beneficial than we could have ever anticipated. My thanks to you for all of your helpfulness in maintaining a balanced account .

Sincerely,

Barbara

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker, ACSW
Assistant Director
Health and Welfare

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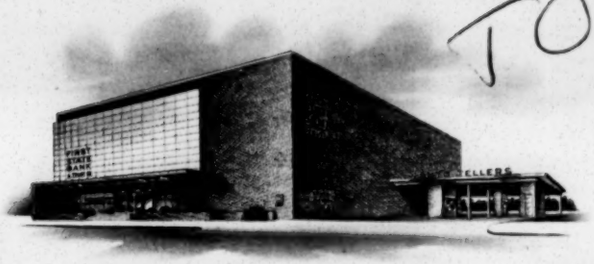
FIRST STATE BANK
& TRUST COMPANY



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Baker County Voter Education Project
% Southern Regional Council, Inc. VEP
5 Forsyth St. N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Gentlemen:

It was a pleasure to learn today that you have opened an account with us. Since organizing in 1905, First State Bank & Trust Company has been building with Albany in its banking services to the community. Whenever you are in need of any of the services listed on the enclosed brochures, we hope you will remember us.

You will find enclosed your Customer Service Card. Notice that it has your name, address and account number engraved on it. The letters are raised so that when the card is inserted in a machine at any one of our Tellers' Windows, it will accurately head up your deposit slip.

Each of our customers is now using personalized checks which contain an account number; however, if you are without your personalized checks, you can quickly refer to your Customer Service Card and insert your account number on another check form.

Before putting your Customer Service Card in your wallet, please sign it, where indicated, using your bank signature. If you have any other questions concerning this card, please feel free to ask your Teller, who will be happy to assist you.

We at First State Bank & Trust Company will be looking forward to seeing you again soon.

Sincerely,

Geo. H. Joiner

Geo. H. Joiner
Executive Vice President

GHJ/dh

Encls.

April 5, 1967

Mr. Charles Sherrod
c/o Mrs. Grace Miller
Route 2, Box 74
Newton, Georgia

Dear Charlie:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation of April 4, this is an invitation to attend a meeting of persons interested in voter registration programs for Lee County.

The meeting is scheduled for April 7, 1967 at Wooten Grove Baptist Church at 8:00 p.m.

We sincerely hope that you will be able to attend.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

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March 3, 1966

Mr. William Randall
Bibb County Coordinating Committee
845 Forsyth Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Randall:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Bibb County Coordinating Committee for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in the Unionville-Murphy Homes section of Macon, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,400.00 for a ten week period to run from March 14 to May 20, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to ten weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Rent	$ 40.00	month	$ 100.00
Gas	12.00	"	30.00
Electricity	5.00	"	12.50
Water	3.00	"	7.50
Typewriter Rental	10.00	"	25.00
Telephone	15.00	"	
Plus deposit	50.00		87.50
Supplies	25.00	"	62.50
	$ 107.00		$ 325.00

Transportation

Gas & Oil	$ 65.00 month	$ 162.50
Auto Repairs	35.00 "	87.50
	$100.00	$ 250.00

Staff

a) One Director,	$ 55.00 per week	$ 550.00
b) One Manager,	25.00 per week	250.00
c) Six Field Workers	$ 10.00 per week	600.00
		$1,400.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank, the Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program, a copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclseing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Wednesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Mrs. Barbara Patterson, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

March 10, 1966

Mr. William Randall
Bibb County Coordinating Committee
845 Forsyth Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Randall:

With the very obvious success of your grant approval still reverberating, I am sure that mundane matters such as fiscal reporting is far from your mind at the moment. However, as you know the requirements of the guidelines must be met, and so regrettably, I intrude on your elation and call to your attention the fact that we have not received your signature card, deposit slips, nor the name and address of the bank.

We are anxious that you start receiving funds, and getting your program underway. May we hear from you at your earliest possible convenience?

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm

845 Forsyth St.
Macon, Ga.
Mar. 11, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Voter EDucation Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyhe St. N.W.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Sir:

Permit me to express the great appreciation of the Bibb County Co-ordinating Committee for the grant that will greatly assist us in our voter education project.

We are inclosing a signiture card and a book of deposit slips for the First National Bank at the Wesleyan Shopping Center.

We are looking forward to a successful campaign and will file all necessary reports as we proceed.

Sincerely
Bibb Co. Co-ordinating Com.

Wm P. Randall

William P. Randall

March 14, 1966

Mr. William P. Randall
Bibb County Coordinating Committee
845 Forsyth Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Randall:

We are enclosing the following: a) cash vouchersforms; b) deposit slip for the first two weeks allotment from your VEP grant; c) a copy of our letter to the First National Bank, Macon; and d) weekly reporting forms for your weekly report, which is due Wednesday of each week.

We wish for your program every success, and look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosures
(As stated above)

March 14, 1966

The First National Bank
and Trust Company
Macon, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $595.00 to be deposited to the account of the Voter Education Project of Bibb County, Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosure
Ck. $595.00

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March 18, 1966

Mr. James E. Bulloch
378 Grant Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Bulloch: RE: VEP 6-3

Vernon Jordan's letter to you of March 3, 1966, mentioned the research reports the Voter Education Project will require from the Bibb County Coordinating Committee under the terms of your grant to conduct voter registration.

I am enclosing with this letter a copy of the form which we wish your office to fill in and return to us twice a month. Please do not send us forms filled out by several voter registration workers covering different times worked. Instead, we suggest that one of the project personnel collect from the workers their records of persons reached by canvass, taken to register, etc., and total them on one sheet to be sent to us. A supply of these forms is being sent to you under separate cover for use by workers in the field. It is of vital importance that the figures submitted to us be actual numerical count and not estimates.

Since your program is operative as of today, the first form should be in our office on March 31, 1966, and thereafter on April 14, April 28, May 12, and finally on May 26, for the duration of the program.

In the course of this 10-week program we require a minimum of two narrative reports about your program. These can be of whatever length you find suitable and may be written by anyone from volunteer block worker to project director. Their essential requirement is that they tell specifically what the Bibb County Coordinating Committee is doing in Unionville-Murphy Homes and how it is doing it. Except for the last report from you which should evaluate the total performance of the program, there are no other conditions attached to the reports. It is our hope that this flexibility will permit you to encourage your campaign workers who may not have written much before to write down their experiences for us in their own words.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Barbara Patterson
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
JAckson 2-8764

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

March 24, 1966

The First National Bank
and Trust Company of Macon
Macon, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith is our check in the amount of $95.00, and deposit slip thereto, to be deposited to the account of the Voter Education Project of Bibb County, Macon, Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosures
(As stated above)

March 24, 1966

Mr. William P. Randall
Bibb County Coordinating Committee
845 Forsyth Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Randall:

Enclosed are the following: a) deposit slip indicating the amount deposited to your account at the First National Bank & Trust Company, and b) weekly reporting forms.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosures

OLIVER E. BROWN MUSEUM

April 4, 1966

The First National Bank
and Trust Company of Macon
Macon, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith is our check in the amount of $209.57, and deposit slip thereto, to be deposited to the account of the Voter Education Project of Bibb County, Macon, Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Wm. Randall

April 4, 1966

Mr. William P. Randall
Bibb County Coordinating Committee
845 Forsyth Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Randall:

Enclosed are the following: a) deposit slip indicating the amount deposited to your account at the First National Bank and Trust Company, and b) weekly reporting forms.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosures

April 5, 1966

Mr. William Randall
Bibb County Coordinating Committee
845 Forsyth Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Randall:

In compliance with the provisions of our guidelines, we are forwarding a copy of your Bank Reconciliation as of March 31, 1966.

It is our sincere wish that your program is indeed successful, and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:jo
Encl.

April 5, 1966

Mr. William Randall
Bibb County Coordinating Committee
845 Forsyth Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Randall:

In compliance with the provisions of our guidelines, we are forwarding a copy of your Bank Reconciliation as of March 31, 1966.

It is our sincere wish that your program is indeed successful, and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

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Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth St. NW
Atlanta Ga.

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Dear Mr. Olive -

Enclosed is last week's report form. The delay was due to a mix up in the report forms. So sorry that the report is this late.

~~Next~~ This week's report is being prepared now.

Sincerely yours
Jane E. Bullock
Director
Voter Education Project of
Bibb Co., Ga.

April 14, 1966

The First National Bank
and Trust Company of Macon
Macon, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith is our check in the amount of $125.00 to be deposited to the account of Bibb County Voter Project, Macon Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosure

April 14, 1966

Mr. William Randall
Bibb County Coordinating Committee
845 Forsyth Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Randall:

Encloses are the following: a) deposit slip copy, indicating amount deposited to your account in the First National Bank and Trust Company of Macon, Macon Georgia, b) weekly reporting forms for your weekly report, c) copy of our letter to the bank transmitting funds.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT
of
BIBB COUNTY, GEORGIA

NARRATIVE REPORT NO. 2

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APR 18 1966

This narrative report number two is being submitted covering the period from March 27, through April 9. The report will be divided into seperate categories covering the voter registration phase, political education phase, and the community organization phase.

VOTER REGISTRATION

The voter registration phase of the project made use of the fact that the end of the month required that everyone obtain license tags for their cars at the courthouse. Since most people let this slide to the end of the month, the last few days most of these people had to go to the courthouse to get their tags. The project placed several workers at the courthouse to convince those who were there to register while they were there. During the few days activity 62 voters were registered.

Efforts to get people to register in a group from home areas through appointment and Saturday morning pick up were continued. Through a mix up with regard to bus transportation for the Saturday pick up and through the lackmof response to this technique only 5 were registered out of 38 appointments.

Initial canvass efforts revealed that 65% of the population of the canvass neighborhood were unregistered. Most of the unregistered agredd to go on the Saturday pick ups. They did not,however, actually go. The area canvassed was heavily populated with people of the lower economic group. Later canvasses in areas populated by higher economic groups found much higher percentages of registered voters. The figures were about reverse of the poorer group (about 30% unregistered). Since, therefore, the majority of the unregistered people are of the relatively uneducated poor group, it is felt that registration of them will require that they be provided transportation to the courthouse on a right now basis. A trial of this technique succeeded in getting five registered from a single block in about one hours time between 4 and 5p.m. It is felt that use of this technique in the future will greatly improve the results in the neighborhood canvass aspect of the project.

Efforts are continuing in the request for neighborhood registration. A meeting with the registrar was held with our attorney present. The percentage figures were presented. He is considering the matter. We expect to file legal action next week should we not hear favorably from him.

POLITICAL EDUCATION

The political education phase of the project was attempted through the mass meeting technique. We were unsuccessful in reaching many people in spite of leafleting and newspaper announcements of the meetings. For one thing the meeting nights that the civic organization had selected were Fridays. This is a bad night since many are shopping that night. In an attempt to change the night we have had a minor difficulty in communication. Next week this should be straightened out. There does not seem to be any conflict just a need for better announcement of the meeting night change.

During this report period we have inaugeratedaa series of neighborhood block meetigs to get better political awareness across to the people, These meetings have been very successful in reaching many people who were not reached through the mass meeting technique. Two different approaches to the neighborhood meetings are being tried. One approach is a lecture discussion one shot block meeting withfollow-up through the mass meetings. The second is a kind of dialogue development meeting where the first few sessions a series of meetings in one block area are moderated by a staff member and the next meetings are carried on alone. The purpose here is to get the people to talk freely of their own problems and to relate these problems to political action.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION

The community organization activity has continued through the block and mass meetings. In addition the organization activity has continued to try to develop the steering committee concept for the area to try to heal the breach between several rival ministers. The committee has purchased the community station wagon mentioned before. So far this has helped us in our campaign but has not cemented the community as well as had been hoped. With the development of better voter registration results lately more effort can be spent in this area.

Jasmine Bullock
Director

April 25, 1966

The First National Bank
and Trust Company of Macon
P. O. Box 4248
Macon, Georgia

Re: Account # 03-60-37-0

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $145.00, to be deposited to the account of the Bibb County Voter Education Project, Macon Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosure

April 25, 1966

Mr. William Randall
Bibb County Coordinating Committee
845 Forsyth Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Randall:

Enclosed are the following:

a) Copy of deposit slip indicating amount deposited to your account at The First National Bank and Trust Company of Macon, Macon, Georgia.

b) Weekly reporting forms.

c) Copy of our letter of transmittal.

We hope your program is comming along very well.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosures

May 13, 1966

Mr. William Randall
Bibb County Coordinating Committee
845 Forsyth Street'
Macon, Georgia
Macon, Geor
Dear Mr. Randall:

In compliance with the provisions of our guidelines, we are forwarding a copy of your Bank Reconciliation as of April 29, 1966.

It is our sincere wish that your program is indeed successful, and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosure

May 17, 1966

Mr. William Randall
Bibb County Coordinating Committee
845 Forsyth Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Randall:

Enclosed are the following:

a) Copy of letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited in your account at the First National Bank and Trust Company of Macon, and b) weekly report forms.

We wish for your program every success.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

TO/mmj
Enclosures

May 17, 1966

The First National Bank and Trust
Company of Macon
P. O. Box 4248
Macon, Georgia

RE: Account #30-60-37-0

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $320.00 to be deposited to the account of the Bibb County Voter Education Project. Also enclosed is a deposit slip indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

TO/mmj
Enclosures
cc: Mr. William Randall

May 18, 1966

Mr. William Randall
Bibb County Coordinating Committee
845 Forsyth Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Randall:

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to have your proposal in our files. We are well aware of the substantial part you played in preparing this proposal, and wish to express our deep gratitude for your cooperation.

On Monday, May 23, I will be in Macon to meet with Mr. James Bullock, Director of your project, and look forward to a mutually pleasant and profitable day.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

TO:nm

cc: Mr. James Bullock

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May 19, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive, Administration Aide
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

Mr. Jim Bulloch resigned as director of our Voter Education Project as of May 7, 1966 and I assured the responsibility as of that date.

Enclosed is the ninth report of the project. You will notice that under travel, that is a payment to Rogers Oil Company for $91.33. This account had been allowed to accummulate over a period of weeks and was paid by this check. The $8.00 check was reimbursed to Meryl Ruoss for cash purchases of gas.

Sincerely,

William P. Randall

William P. Randall

WPR/mb

May 19, 1966

Mr. William Randall
Bibb County Voter Education Project
845 Forsyth Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Randall:

Enclosed are the following:

a) Copy of letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited in your account.

b) Copy of deposit slip indiating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosures

May 19, 1966

The First National Bank
and Trust Company
Post Office, Box 4248
Macon, Georgia 31208

Re: Account No. 03-60-37-0

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $149.00, to be deposit to the account of the Bibb County Voter Education Project, Macon, Georgia.

Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosures

cc: Mr. William Randall

June 9, 1966

Mr. William B. Randall
Bibb County Coordinating Committee
845 Forsyth Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Randall:

May 31, 1966

In compliance with the provisions of our guidelines, we are enclosing a copy of your Bank Reconciliation as of _____.

We wish for your program every success, and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosure

June 9, 1966

First National Bank
and Trust Company
P. O. Box 4248
Macon, Georgia 31208

Re: Account No. 03-60-37-0

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $300.00 to be deposited to the account of the Bibb County Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

cc: Mr. William Randall

June 9, 1966

Mr. William Randall
Director
Bibb County Voter Education Project
845 Forsyth Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Randall:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the First National Bank of Macon, b) copy of deposit slip indicating amount deposited to your account.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

June 21, 1966

Mr. William Randall
Bibb County Corrdinating Committee
845 Forsyth Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Randall:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited to your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Please let us have your final report as soon as possible. This is the balance on your grant.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

June 21, 1966

First National Bank
and Trust Company
P.O. Box 4248
Macon, Georgia 31208

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $36.43 to be deposited to the account of the Bibb County Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. William Randall

Macon

6 [illegible] staff

10 sub-directors

1 office person

Director

8 people

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File
Bibb County

THE UNITED CITIZENS IMPROVEMENT ORGANIZATION ELECTS OFFICERS

A MEETING WAS CALLED WITH LEADERS FROM ALL SECTIONS OF MACON TO DISCUSS THE CONDITIONS AND WHAT COULD BE DONE TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS IN EACH SECTION OF MACON.

T. B. HOOPER, AFTER GETTING SEVERAL REQUESTS OF THIS KIND CALLED THIS MEETING FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF FORMING AN ORGANIZATION TO PROMOTE PROGRESS IN EACH COMMUNITY.

THE OFFICERS ARE:

WALTER DAVIS, CHAIRMAN
MR, DAVIS IS FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE NAACP

ROBERT BYAS, CO-CHAIRMAN

MISS C. M. MITCHELL, SECRETARY

FILMORE THOMAS, ASST. SECRETARY

MRS. MARK FRAZIER, TREASURER

MEMBERS OF THIS ORGANIZATION ARE ASKING OTHER CIVIC CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS TO MEET WITH THEM ON SUNDAY, JULY 10TH AT 6:30 IN THE BRICK MASON'S HALL 820 HIGH STREET.

BY WORKING TOGETHER ALL AIMS WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED, THEREFORE, IF YOU WANT TO SEE YOUR COMMUNITY GROW PLEASE ATTEND THIS MEETING ON SUNDAY, JULY 10TH.

MACON BIBB COUNTY BRANCH NAACP
845 Forsyth St.
Macon Ga.

Southern Regional Voter Education Project
Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director
5 Forsythe St.
Atlanta Ga.

Dear Vernon:

I have recieved a letter from Mr . John Brooks Director of NAACP Voter registration education, stateing that the Sout--hern Reagonal Council is giving aid to organizations, includeing NAACP Branches, for voter registration and education projects. We are in the formation of a voter registration and education drive inm macon sponsered by the local branch of NAACP, of which i am president.

We are spear heading a drive to get all of the streets in Negro communities paved. This is a project that ninety percent of the Negros in our city are interested in. We are use--ing this as an incentive to induce them to register to vote. The must float a bond issue in the next election in order to get funds to pave the service streets next to the Federal Highway . We intend to demand that some concrete assurence be given us that all streets in Negro communities petitioned for be funded and paved in this bond issue. We will vote for the bond issue if we are given sufficient assurence and against if we are not we will defeat it. We believe this have enough appeal to get at least another five thousand people registered to vote.

We have six community clubs in the six different sections of the city, these clubs have long had for thier main objec - tive the paveing of the streets in thier communities with

without suceess. .We intsnd to use these clubs as our main so urce of man power, we have already made our announcement and the responce is real good. I have assigned the members of my ezecutive committee to the different clubs to work with them during this drive. We will ask the clubs to appoint a community chirman (from the club) persons for block leaders and street captains. We will ask these people to circulate petitions on thier street and get people not registered to do so, and to keep a weekly check on these people. We will ask that they report those persons whome they get registered and those persons whome they find impossible to pesuade , in order that some one else can get the chance to talk to them. We will also use these same people to help get out the vote on election day .

The branch will coordinate the movement through out the city. We are asking people to only work thier own neighborhood. We will print the petitions , leaflets ect. file petisions ,giv -e instructions to workers ,help interview people , appoint members of our committee to contact those persons whome the block leaders find impossible, head up committees to talk to the city officials and furnish what transportation that is needed.

As you can see we have quita an ambitious program. We cou ld use any assistance financial or other wise ,that your organi zation feel disposed to give.

We could certainly use some experianced paid personall.WE have two or three persons in this category ,but as yet have no funds to employ them. Please let me know at your earlist opportunity.what help if any that you can give us. Our proposed expenes per monthais listed below, we plan to conduct a ninety day drive.

Yours for Freedom;

Lewis H. Wynne

Lewis H. Wynne

Program Coordinator----------	$200.00
Ass. " " --------	$140.00
Transportation ----------	$100.00
Telephone ----------	$ 25.00
Literature ----------	$ 25.00
Lunch for workers ----------	$125.00
Paid field workers -------(2)	$240.00
Office ----------	$ 50.00
Total ----------	$905.00

378 Grant Street
Macon, Ga.

Mr. Vernon Jordan
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsythe St., N.W.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Jordan;

Enclosed is the supplement to the Macon, Ga. VEP proposal requested in our last interview. In the supplement the proposal has been expanded to include more emphasis on Citizenship Education.

I would appreciate you review of this supplement and comments should additional imformation be required.

During this interim period I am working in Birmingham, Alabama , in my capacity of staff worker for the Southern Christian Ledership Conference. The work here is in the present Birmingham voter registration drive. I can be reached at the following address;

Mr. James E. Bulloch
c/o S.C.L.C.
501 1/2 17th Street. N.
Birmingham, Alabama

I look forward to hearing from you with regard to your comments on the proposal and the supplement and with regard to a program starting date so that I maymake the necessary arrangments here.

Should you feel that a conference is necessary or desireable please suggest a date and I shall be able to come to Atlanta.

Sincerely yours,

James E. Bulloch

James E. Bulloch

Proposal for Voter Registration Campaign
in the
Unionville-Murphy Hms. Sections of Macon, Ga.

1.0 Summary

Presented herein is a proposal for a voter registration campaign in the Unionville and Murphy Homes sections of Macon, Ga. These sections form one of the Negro communities in the city. This community was selected since only an estimated 30% of the eligible voters are registered there.

2.0 Introduction

Proposed in this document is a campaign to effect a saturation voter registration drive in the Negro community of Unionville and Murphy Homes in Macon, Ga. This drive will be designed to effect, as nearly as possible, 100% registration in the three month period. In doing so this campaign will add upward to 4000 new voters to the Macon rolls. This will constitute an approximately 25% increase in the total Negro voter registration in the entire city.

In order to effect this registration increase the campaign will be conducted in four operational areas. These areas will be advanced operations, current operations, special operations, and office (or support) operations. An organization chart is presented in the enclosures.

3.0 Campaign Operations

The campaign proposal will be conducted through four operational areas. These are the advanced operations, current operations, special operations and office or support operations. Each area of operation is described as follows:

3.1 Advanced Operations

This area of operations consists of an advanced team. This advanced team will be sent into a particular ward ahead of the current operations

team in order to effect a block by block area organization. It shall be the function of this team to assist the ward captain in obtaining block captains for each block in the ward and to instruct the block captains in their task of house to house canvassing to effect as near 100% registration as possible. This team will consist of a manager and two staff workers.

3.2 Current Operations

The current operations team will consist of a manager and four staff workers. This team will conduct the actual registration campaign on a ward by ward basis. Two of the staff workers will function as drivers to transport the candidates for registration to the registrar's office. One staff worker will be present at the court house to assist in keeping records there and the fourth staff worker will be assigned to the local ward assembly point to assist in arranging transportation and other services such as baby sitting, as required.

3.3 Special Operations

The special operations team, consisting of the team manager and two staff workers, will be assigned to the task of operating with and through other existing organizations to promote 100% registered membership in these organizations.

Some of the organizations that will be contacted by this team are the area churches, social clubs, and school organizations.

In addition to formal organizations these teams will attempt to work through informal organizations and through local stores, clubs and bars.

3.4 Office Operations

The office operations team will consist of two members--a manager and a staff worker. This team shall function in support of the field groups by supplying reproduction services as required and by fulfilling the function of overall record keeping, general project reporting, and correspondence.

4.0 Budget

The budget for the proposed campaign is presented in the following. Shown is a budget estimate on a per month basis and a total for the projected three month campaign. The estimates presented are based on current local costs and upon estimated usage.

The staff estimates are based on obtaining personal for essentially subsistance salaries.

Included in transportation is a budget allowance for minor car repairs such as possible generation repair, battery replacement and/or tire replacement and repairs.

AREA INFORMATION

I. Area Name

Unionville and Murphy Mones

II. Area Boundary Streets

South of Montpelier Avenue

East of Key Street

North of Millirons Road and Hightower Road

West of Felton Avenue, (Between Hightower & Anthony Road)

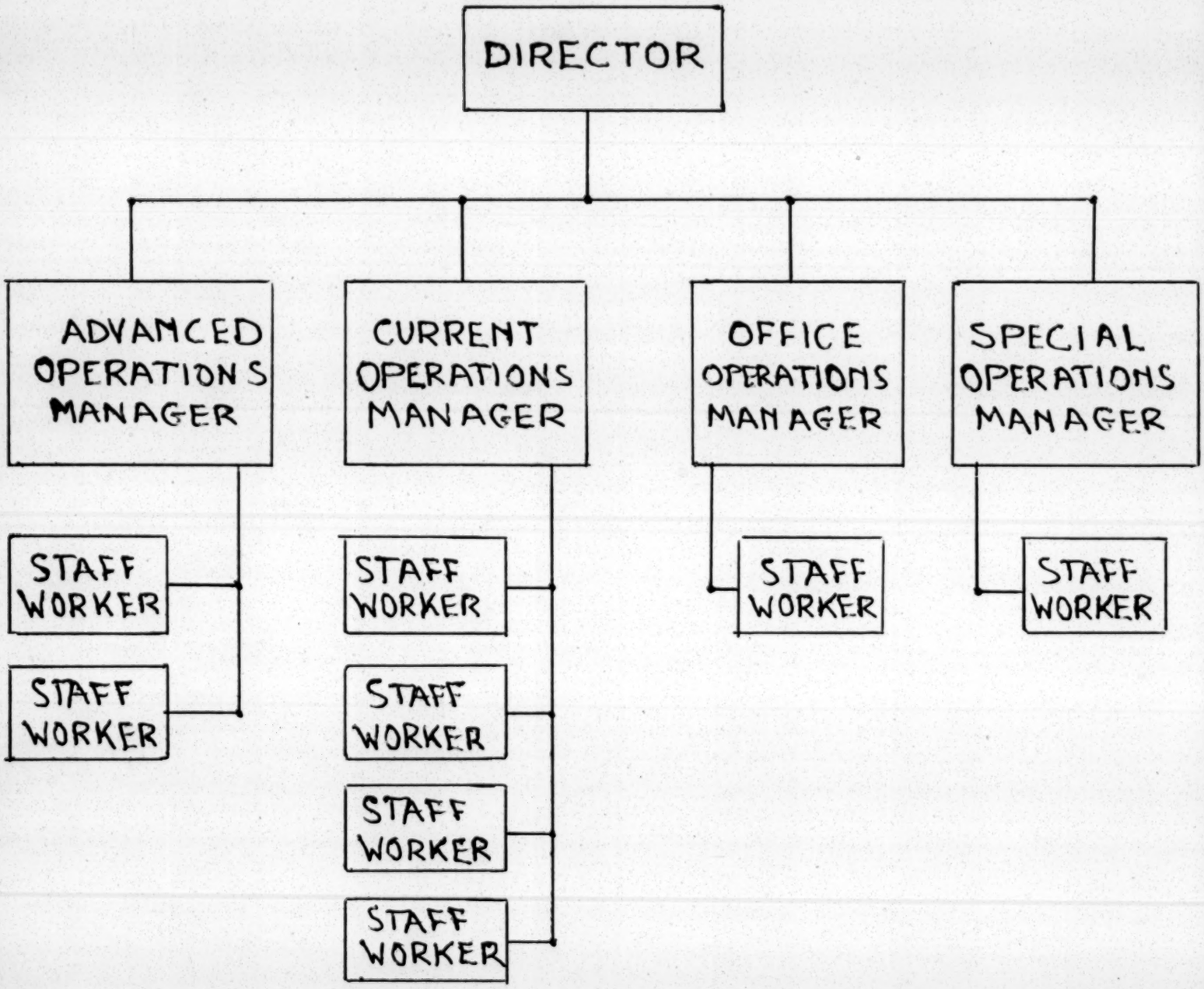
Rock Street (Between Anthony Road & Dempsey Ave.)

Madden Avenue (Between Dempsey Avenue & Montpelier Ave.)

III. Area Population (Estimated Figures)

Total Population	11,200
Population over 18	6,000
Estimated Unregistered Voters	4,000

VOTER REGISTRATION CAMPAIGN ORGANIZATION CHART



PROPOSED BUDGET
for
Unionville-Murphy Homes Voter Registration Campaign

	Item	Amount/Month	Total Amount
I	**Office**		
	Rent	$40	$120
	Gas	12	36
	Electricity	05	15
	Water	03	09
	Typewriter (elect)	20	60
	Telephone	15 (+ $50 Deposit)	95
	Office Supplies (includes leaflet and poster supplies)	40	120
	Subtotal	$135	$455
II	**Transportation**		
	Gas & Oil (3 cars at 1000 mi/car/mo.)	$75	$225
	Minor Repairs (3 cars at $15/mo./car)	$45	$135
	Subtotal	$120	$360
III	**Staff**		
	Director (1 at ~~$75~~/wk) 55.00	$322.50	$967.50
	Operations Managers (4 at $25/wk)	430.00	$1290.00
	Staff Workers (8 at $10/wk)	344.50	$1032.50
	Subtotal	$1096.50	$3,289.50
	Grand Total	$1351.50 (+$50 Deposit)	

6 weeks then review

SUPPLEMENT TO THE MACON VEP PROPOSAL

Presented herein is a supplement to the Macon, Ga. Unionville-Murphy Homes Voter Education Program proposal.

The specific organization that will conduct the program here in Macon is the Bibb County Coordinating Committee. The comittee has selected Mr. James E. Bulloch of 378 Grant Avenue, Macon to be the director of the program. Upon inquiry, Mr. Bulloch has located office space ideally situated in the program area. This space is located at Anthony Rd. and Rock St. The rent for the office would be $25. per month. It is felt that this two room space will provide a central facility for the conduct of the program administration as well as an assembly point and meeting place for the staff, the volunteers, and the various groups as the ocassion demands.

The community served by the proposed program is the Unionville-Murphy Homes sections of Macon, Ga. The boundaries of this community are presented in the original proposal. The community is entirely Negro ad incorporates the complete economic strata of the people from the relatively wealthy to the very poor. The relative quality of housing and neighborhood appearance reflects this economic difference. The Murphy Homes section is an extensive Urban Renewal project built for low income families.

Macon itself is the principal city in the Middle Georgia section of the state. It has a population of approximately 150,000. The population is divided about 60-40 white and Negro.

For many yers Macon has been a typical southern textile manufacturing center and transportation hub for the agricultural district. In recent years more diversified industry has begun to locate here. Amoung the principal new industries are those utilizing forest products for the construction of crates, paper, and building materials.

Macon, like so many southern cities is in a modern rennaisance as it grows in modern technology, in cosmopolitan philosophy, and in socil reform.

To reflect increased emphasis on Citizenship Eduction the proposal is amended to include an additional full time Citizenship Education Operations Manager and two ddditional part time staff workers. The operations manager will be responsable for the establishing of citizenship training groups throughout the area, asistance in establishing the citizenship course, providing the trained teahers for the courses, and coordinating the program. The dditional staff workers will be primarily responsable for conducting the citizenship training schools. They will assisted s required by the other staff workers nd by the voluteers.

The additional budget requirements for the citizenship education activity are estimated to be:

	Total Three Mos.
1. Personel	
Manager ($25/wk)	$300
Staff Worker ($10/wk ea.)	240
2. Supplies	
Workbooks,etc. ($1/student-500 stds.)	$500
Total	$1040

Bibb County Coordinating Committee

Budget - Revised and approved by VEP for 10 weeks

	Per Month	10 weeks
Rent	$40.00	$100.00
Gas	12.00	30.00
Electricity	5.00	12.50
Water	3.00	7.50
Typerwriter Rental	10.00	25.00
Telephone	15.00	
Plus $50.00 Deposit		87.50
Supplies	25.00	62.50
	$107.00	$325.00
Transportation		
Gas and Oil	$65.00	$162.50
Auto Repairs	35.00	87.50
	$100.00	$250.00
Staff		
(1) Director @ $55.00 a week		$550.00
(1) Manager @ $25.00 a week		250.00
(6) Field Workers @ $10.00 a week		600.00
		$1,400 .00

Total Revised Budget $1,975.00

March 17, 1966

Mr. G. D. Miller
The Brunswick Branch, NAACP
1304½ Gloucester Street
Brunswick, Georgia

Dear Mr. Miller:

Thank you very much for your very comprehensive grant proposal. We are delighted to learn that the Brunswick Branch, NAACP, is interested in beginning a registration project.

In keeping with our agreement with the National Office, NAACP, a copy of all proposals from local chapters should be forwarded to Mr. W. C. Patton, NAACP Field Director and Voter Registration. Would you please submit a copy of your proposal to him for his files at your earliest possible convenience?

The Voter Education Project will give every consideration to the Brunswick Chapter's request for funds to implement a registration program. Thank you again for writing us, and we wish for you success in your venture.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm

cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

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MAR 25 1966

GLYNN COUNTY, GEORGIA

APPLICATION FOR GRANT, PROPOSAL

SUBMITTED BY DEPARTMENT OF VOTER EDUCATION

OF THE BRUNSWICK BRANCH OF THE N.A.A.C.P.

TO

THE VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT OF THE SOUTHERN

REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared by G. A. Miller
Mrs Corinne Lawrence

Attest: Rev. Julius C. Hope

March, 1966

BRUNSWICK, GLYNN COUNTY, GEORGIA

GEOGRAPHY:

Glynn County, Georgia with Brunswick as the county seat is located in the south east part of Georgia on the coastal plains bordering the Atlantic Ocean. The city is built on a peninsula which is almost surrounded by deep salt-water streams, making the location unusual healthful, at the same time offering shipping and commercial advantages that are unsurpassed. Brunswick, the county seat is 78 miles south of Savannah, Georgia by highway, and 77 miles north of Jacksonville, Florida. It is located 275 miles from Atlanta, the capital of the state. It has an area of 26.4 miles with a total street mileage of 85 with 60 miles paved. Glynn County's flat sandy soil has an elevation ranging from sea level to 40 feet and an average altitude of 14 feet. The climate of Brunswick and Glynn County, because of the nearness of the Gulf Stream is a mingling of subtropical and temperate. The average annual temperature is 68.4 degree and the average yearly rainfall is 50.2 inches.

HISTORY:

The history of Brunswick and the surrounding area of Glynn County is closely interwoven with the struggles among France, Spain and England for domination in North America and during the almost four centuries of its existence, the flags of five nations have flown over this historic section. The first white settlement in Georgia was made just north of

Brunswick in 1566, by the Spanish under Menendez de Avilles. The first settlement by English speaking people was established in 1736 by James Edward Oglethrope. The present site of the city of Brunswick was laid out in 1771 by the Colonial Council of the Royal Province of Georgia, and named in honor of King George III of England, who was of the House of Brunswick.

HEALTH:

Glynn County was the first county in the State of Georgia to establish a full time health department under the direction of a trained, public-health physician. This county has attracted national attention in its control of its contagious and infectious diseases, as well as its reductions in death rates. It has a modern health center and a 217 bed hospital.

EDUCATION:

Its educational system is older than the National Constitution. Organized on county unit plan providing for consolidated schools. The system is one of four systems in Georgia. There are 14 public schools include two Senior High and four Junior High schools. The number of pupils enrolled in public school-- 12,072, in parochial schools--552. The number of teachers in public schools--502.

There is a modern science center opened in 1963, as the part of the Glynn County School System. A Junior College was opened Sept., 1964.

TRANSPORTATION:

Transportation is provided by two railway lines, two major air lines, two bus lines and four trucking companies. It is served by a network of highways connecting it to all parts of the country.

PORT AND INDUSTRY:

The Port of Brunswick offers modern facilities for handling of general and bulk cargo, for import, export and coastwide shipments.

There are seventy-five manufacturing and processing establishments with principal outputs of wood products, fresh and frozen sea foods, garments, chemicals, wallboard, plaster and gypsum.

PUBLICITY:

Its news media consist of two newspapers, two radio stations. One of its main attractions is its well-publicized resort area that offers a variety of amusements and recreation.

POPULATION AND LABOR:

The population of Glynn County is approximately--49,319. Negroes comprise 30 per cent of the population. Although the medium income for this area is $4,793; a recent survey shows that better than 29.4 per cent of the families in this area have an income of less than $3,000 a year and among this group there are 564 families with an income of less than $1,000 per year. Negroes comprise the largest percentage of this low income group. Of the 15,974 civilian labor force 14.8 per cent are unemployed or hold jobs in the very low income scale. The prevailing

wage in this area of low income job is $18 to $30 for a 48 to 50-hour week. This low prevailing wage prevent many persons from having even the bare necessities of life.

The total number of persons 18 years or over total -- 31,436. Of this group 34.1 per cent has less than an eighth-grade education. Negroes make up more than 52.4 per cent of this 10,374 person group.

HOUSING:

Of the 3,379 substandard housing units out of a total of 13,359 units more than 70 per cent of these, are occupied by Negroes.

The war time years brought with it an influx of persons of low income and educational standards who do not realize that the use of their voting privileges could change many of their ills of low income and substandard living. Because of the sense of fear that has come through prior intimidation and the lack of training, as to the value of the ballot, and their rights under law; they have not shouldered the full responsibility of true citizenship.

It is the purpose of this project to reach this better than 5,500 unregistered Negroes in this county to get them to become registered voters and to train them in their rights and responsibilities as set forth in the constitution of the United States and the laws of their state and local government.

METHODS:

1. Preplanning period to enlist and indoctrinate workers for project.

2. Checking of the registration list to determine who are registered voters.

3. Door to door canvass to contact unregistered voters and those persons who have been purged from the list for lack of participation in required number of elections.

4. Use of local news media to stimulate interest and participation of all citizens of the community in this registration drive.

5. Special mass meetings in the various areas to inform the people of the purpose and workings of the proposed program.

6. The setting up of incenitive prizes for registration workers in an effort to get all the community organizations to participate in VOTER'S REGISTRATION.

7. The furnishing of necessary transportation for individuals desiring to register.

8. The setting up of places of registration in the outlying community during the evening periods of the day.

9. The stationing of a person or personnel at the local registration places to encourage the people entering these places on other businesses to use this opportunity to get their names on the registration list.

10. The setting up of classes in citizenship training in various sections of the county.

This project will be under the auspices of a special committee whose duty will be to see that the program is carried out according to guide lines as set down by the VOTER'S EDUCATION PROJECT of the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL.

THIS COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF:

Chairman, Co-chairman, Secretary, Assistant Secretary and Treasury.

Note: Attached Sheet 1A

Will handle the receipt and distribution of all funds granted to this project. Will act as a watch-dog committee of the overall operation of this project.

Paid personnel will consist of a director, to administer program and co-ordinate all efforts to this project. A secretary to handle all correspondence communications and necessary bookkeeping chores. Instructors to handle the classes in citizenship education.

Note: Attached Sheet 2A

COST:

The expected cost of the program will be

Note: Attachment Sheet 1B

This program is to cover a proposed period of eight (8) weeks

Note: Attached Sheet 2B

BACKGROUND:

The present political picture in this county is very confused and unstable with several factions in the community vying for power. In the City of Brunswick, the County seat, with its Commission-Manager form of government, the Negro voters do hold the balance of the power and during the time of referendum and elections they are wooed with all types of propositions and promises. Unfortunately, there are still those Negro

hirelings who for a price, work during this period, to influence the vote regardless of the harm that is done to the masses by unscrupulous men seeking power, disregarding the effect that it has upon the living conditions and status of the Negro in the community.

During the last election approximately 74 per cent of the approximate 2,500 registered Negro voters took part in the election. Negroes have been running for public offices since 1961, the only win being a defeat of two white candidates by Rev. Julius C. Hope in the Democratic Primary of October 27, 1964. Although the winning candidate in the Democratic Primary, he never received the public endorsement of the local party. He was defeated by a staunch segregationist, Reginald Holtzendorff, in the December 1, general election. This election had the largest turnout of voters in the history of this community, but on the day of election it had definitely turned into a race issue,instead of a contest between candidates. In the last past election there were two Negroes and one white candidate in the city commissioner's race. The white candidate won the seat for the unexpired term of a commissioner who had resigned during a rash of resignations of key personnels connected with the city government. One Negro has been appointed to each of the following boards: Welfare, Park and Tree, Port warden, Jury Commission / three to the Board of Deputy Registrar.

Note: Attached Sheet 4A

No Negroes have been appointed to the important boards of the Education, Housing and Joint planning; although, a number of vacancies has occurred in the past several years.

ACTING ORGANIZATIONS IN THE COMMUNITY:

Department of Voter's Education, N.A.A.C.P., Democratic Club and Glynn County Leadership Council.

REGISTRATION:

Registration hours in this community are from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., Mondays through Fridays, at the Municipal Building and the County Courthouse. Special registration upon request has been set up during the hours between 7 and 9 p.m. at special place of registration during previous registration drives. The registration figure stands at approximately 11,500 for the whole county, Negroes comprising 32 per cent of the over-all group. Community interest and fully citizenship participation has been increased by the wide publicity given the unstable condition of the local government and through the weekly broadcast sponsered by The N.A.A.C.P. known as "The Voice of the People."

We believe a registered and informed voting conscious public, can accomplish with greater ease and lasting effect; many of the things that it has taken years to accomplish through demonstrations and expensive court suits. With this in mind we pledge all our energy and know how to the execution of this project.

VOTER REGISTRATION'S EDUCATION PROJECT

Attached Sheet 1A -- Steering Committee

STEERING COMMITTEE:

CHAIRMAN:	Mrs. Bessie Roberts 2216 Washington Street Brunswick, Georgia
CO-CHAIRMAN:	MR. Gerald Atkinson 656 Proctor Lane St. Simons Island, Georgia
SECRETARY:	Mrs. James Powell 3306 Brailsford Avenue Brunswick, Georgia
ASSISTANT SECRETARY:	Mrs. E. J. Brown 3010 Wolf Street Brunswick, Georgia
TREASURY:	Mrs. G. T. Lyde 1707 Stonewall Street Brunswick, Georgia

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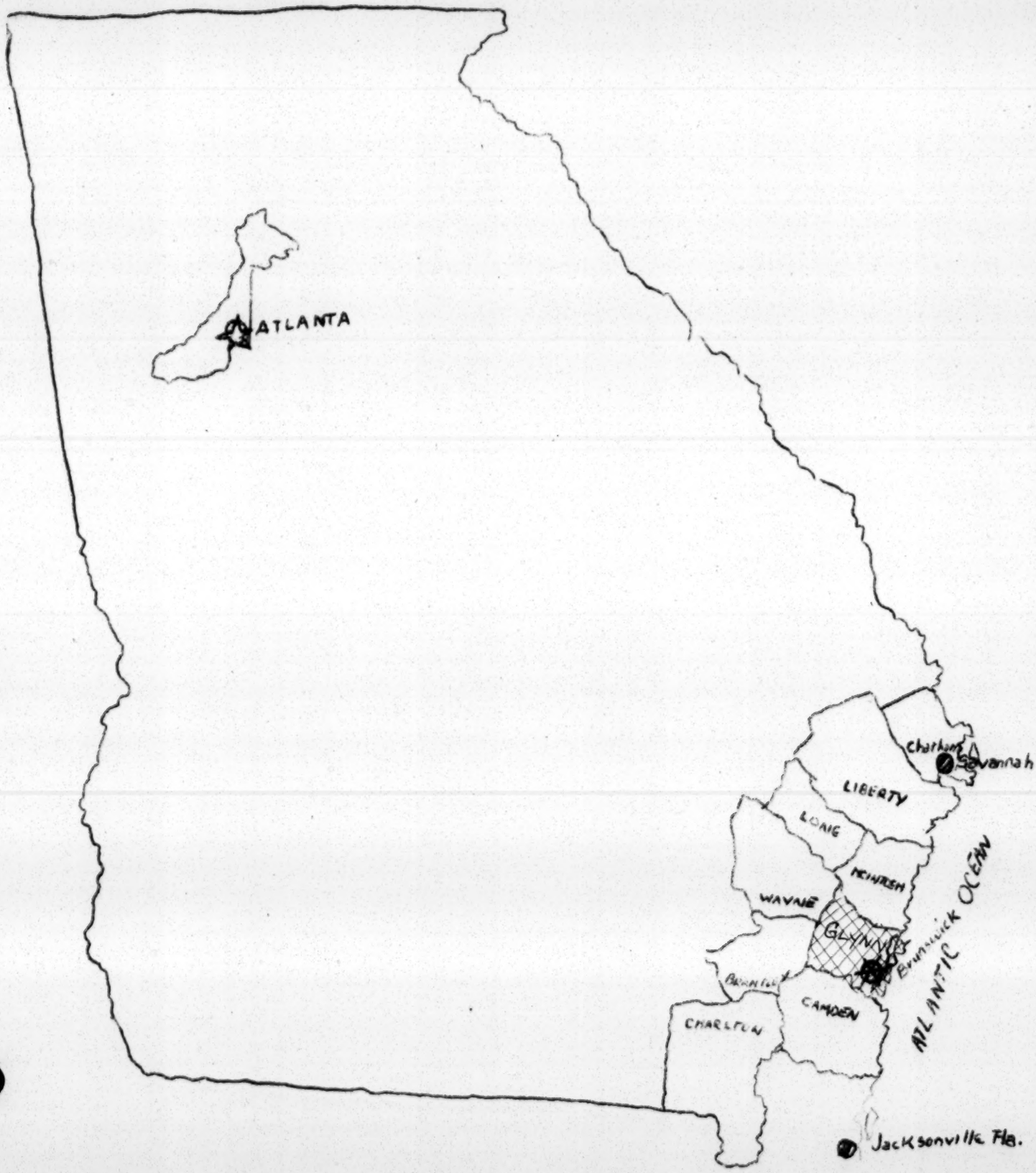
Attached Sheet 2A / Paid Personnel

PROJECT DIRECTOR:	Mr. George D. Miller 2400 Albany Street Brunswick, Georgia
PROJECT SECRETARY:	Mrs. Corinne Lawrence 1612 Wolf Street Brunswick, Georgia
INSTRUCTORS:	To be selected upon approval of project. *

VOTER REGISTRATION'S EDUCATION PROJECT

TARGET AREA --GLYNN COUNTY, GEORGIA



VOTER REGISTRATION'S EDUCATION PROJECT

GLYNN COUNTY, GEORGIA -- Attached Sheet 3A

TARGET AREA	GLYNN COUNTY, GEORGIA
TOTAL POPULATION	49,319
Percent of Population in Rural	29.7%
Total Number of Families	11,249
Total Number of Families Income (Less than $3,000)	3,262
Percent of all Families with income (Less than $3,000)	29%
Families with income less than $1,000	564
MEDIAN INCOME	$4,793
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	15,974
Percent of labor force unemployed or very low income bracket	14.8%
Prevailing wage low income group	$18 to $30 for 48 to 50 hour week
Person under 18	17,883
Percent of persons under 21 receiving A.F.D.C. Payments	1.3%
Persons aged 65 and over	2,749
Percent of persons 65 and over receiving Old Age Assistance	22.6%
Person 18 years or over	31,436
MEDIAN SCHOOLING COMPLETED	9.5 years
Percent persons over 18 with less than 8 grd.	34.1%
Persons examined for Selective Service	481
Persons rejected by Selective Service	273
Percent of persons rejected by Selective Serv.	56.7%
ALL HOUSING UNITS	13,359
Substandard Housing Units	3,379
Population White	34, 421
Population Negro	14,796
Population Other	102
Percent Negro Substandard Housing	70%
Percent Negro of total with less than 8th grade education	52.4%

VOTER REGISTRATION'S EDUCATION PROJECT

GLYNN COUNTY, GEORGIA -- Attached Sheet 4A

APPOINTMENTS OF NEGROES MADE IN GLYNN COUNTY, GEORGIA TO VARIOUS BOARDS:

WELFARE: (County Appointed)	Dr.David Griffin 2710 Amherst Street Brunswick, Georgia	1965
PARK AND TREE: (City)	Rev. J. F. Mann 2027 Lee Street Brunswick, Georgia	1965
PORT WARDEN: (City)	Mr. Arthur Thompson 2517 Albany Street Brunswick, Georgia	1965
JURY COMMISSION: (County Appointed)	Mr. Genoa Martin 13 Andrews Drive Brunswick, Georgia	1966
DEPUTY REGISTRAR: (County Appointed)	Mr. Isaac Myers 2702 Lee Street Brunswick, Georgia	1966
	Mrs. Rose Seadrow 1100 I Street Brunswick, Georgia	1966
	Mrs. Ruth Williams 2627 Clebourne Street Brunswick, Georgia	1966
MEDICAL EXAMINER: (State Appointed)	Dr. David Griffin 2710 Amherst Street Brunswick, Georgia	1966

VOTER REGISTRATION'S EDUCATION PROJECT

GLYNN COUNTY, GEORGIA -- Attached Sheet 1B
PROPOSED BUDGET

Period 8 Weeks

PLACE: Glynn County, Georgia DATE:

Salaries -- Professional *	(Attached Sheet 1B-1)	$ 720.00
Clerical *	(Attached Sheet 1B-1)	320.00
Travel	(Attached Sheet 1B-1)	144.00
Transportation		1200.00
Office Rent		100.00
Tele. & Tele.		26.00
Publicity & Promotion		190.00
Office Supplies		75.00
Printing Supplies		85.00
Furniture & Fixture		50.00
General (Lump Sum) **		480.00
Postage		55.00
* See Attached Sheet 1B-1		109.28
TOTAL		$3,554.28

** Speaker	$150.00
Prizes	250.00
Utilities	30.00
Refreshments	50.00
TOTAL	$480.00

VOTER REGISTRATION'S EDUCATION PROJECT

GLYNN COUNTY, GEORGIA -- Attached Sheet 1B-1

PAID PERSONNEL

NUMBER of PERSONS	POSITION or TITLE	SALARY per WEEK	WEEKS TO BE EMPLOYED	PERCENT of time on PROJECT	TRAVEL ALLOWANCE	COST
1	PROJECT DIRECTOR	$ 50.00	8	100%	$ 80.00	$ 480.00
1	PROJECT SECRETARY	40.00	8	100%		320.00
4	INSTRUCTORS	10.00@	8	15%	64.00	384.00
TOT. 6						$1184.00

* This item, only if required under law by this project

Social Security 4.23% and workman's compensation 5% TOTAL $ 109.28

VOTER REGISTRATION'S EDUCATION PROJECT

GLYNN COUNTY, GEORGIA-- Attached Sheet 2B

PROJECT PERSONNEL	WEEK'S FOLLOWING GRANT APPROVAL							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
DIRECTOR AND SECRETARY	Publicity Enlistment of Workers and Organizations Physical Preparation of Office Orientation	OPERATIONAL						Operation Wrap-Up and Final Project Evaluation
INSTRUCTORS	Location for Classes Orientation Selection of Materials	OPERATIONAL						
VOLUNTEER WORKERS								

JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
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April 18, 1966

The Reverend Julius C. Hope
Brunswick Branch, NAACP
Department of Voter Education
Zion Baptist Church
1509 "G" Street
Brunswick, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hope:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Brunswick Branch, NAACP, Department of Voter Education, for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Brunswick (Glynn County), Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,420.00 for an eight week period, to run from April 22, to June 10, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary	@ $ 50.00 per week	$ 400.00
b)	Secretary	@ $ 40.00 " "	320.00
c)	Office Rent		100.00
d)	Telephone		50.00
e)	Office Supplies		50.00
f)	Transportation		325.00
g)	Postage		25.00
h)	Publicity and Printing		150.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Wednesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Mrs. Barbara Patterson, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

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P.O. Box 163
Brunswick, Georgia 31520

April 21, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

The GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT extends its thanks for the grant made for the purpose of VOTER'S REGISTRATION.

In accordance with the guidelines from the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, we are enclosing the requested material in reference to the bank account established for this purpose.

Sincerely yours,

G. D. Miller

G. D. Miller, Director
GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

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P.O. Box 163
Brunswick, Georgia
April 21, 1966

The First National Bank Of Brunswick
510 Gloucester Street
Brunswick, Georgia 31520

Gentlemen:

The Glynn, Voter Education Project, P.O. Box 163, Brunswick, Georgia wishes to establish a checking account, in the name of Glynn, Voter Education Project.

Checks are to be honored, bearing the signature of any two of the three persons listed below:

Mrs. B. E. Roberts	1824 Third Street
Mrs James O. Powell	3306 Brailsford Avenue
Mrs. Geneva Lyde	1504 F Street

We request that all bank statements be mailed, if possible to Mr. Thaddeus Olive, Jr., Southern Regional Council, Inc., 5 Forsyth Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

G. D. Miller
Director
Glynn, Voter Education Project

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April 22, 1966

First National Bank of Brunswick
P. O. Box 1477
Brunswick, Georgia 31621

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $355.00, to be deposited to the account of the Brunswick Branch, NAACP, Department of Voter Education, Brunswick, Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosures

cc: Rev. Julius C. Hope

April 22, 1966

The Reverend Julius C. Hope
Brunswick Branch, NAACP
Department of Voter Education
Zion Baptist Church
1509 "G" Street
Brunswick, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hope:

Enclosed are the following:

a) Copy of deposit slip indicating amount deposited to your account at the First National Bank of Brunswick.

b) Copy of letter of transmittal,

c) Cash voucher forms.

d) Weekly Report forms.

We wish for your program every success.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosures

cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

RESIDENCE: 1609 G. STREET
TELEPHONE: 265-2440

BRUNSWICK BRANCH OF THE
N.A.A.C.P.

OFFICE: 1304-1/2 GLOUCESTER STREET
TELEPHONE: 264-2088

REV. JULIUS C. HOPE, PRESIDENT

POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

MR. GEORGE D. MILLER, CHAIRMAN

April 22, 1966

Mr. V. E. Jordan, Jr., Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Avenue
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

The GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT extends its thanks for the grant made for the purpose of VOTER'S EDUCATION.

In accordance with the guidelines from the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, we have sent the requested material in reference to the bank account to Mr. Thaddeus Olive, Jr., Administrative Aide.

Sincerely yours,

G. D. Miller

G. D. Miller, Director
GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

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April 26, 1966

The Reverend Julius C. Hope
Brunswick Branch, NAACP
Department of Voter Education
Zion Baptist Church
1509 "G" Street
Brunswick, Georgia

RE: VEP 6-38

Dear Mr. Hope:

In his letter to you of April 18, 1966, Vernon Jordan mentioned the research requirements the Voter Education Project will require of the Brunswick Branch, NAACP, under the terms of its grant to conduct voter registration April 22 to June 10, 1966.

Since your program was operative as of last week and since it is of a planned two-months duration, we will want two narrative reports from you which detail the organization and methods of the registration drive. These should be monthly surveys and should be in our offices by the30th of every month. The final one should be an evaluation of the entire program. It might be helpful to think of the first as a progress or intelligence report to the VEP about your operation. We trust you will not hesitate to describe any difficulties you encounter, either organizationally or from outside sources. Included should be sample copies of any printed materials used. As complete a report as you are able to make will assist us both in planning well for the future.

In the meantime it is necessary that we review the progress of groups we are associated with every two weeks. For this purpose I am enclosing several copies of the formswe suggest for this statistical reporting. It is of vital importance that numerical results, particularly "Number successfully registered," be an accurate count and not estimates. We are sending a supply for field workers under separate cover. Please do not, however, send us individual workers' tallies. Rather have s someone on your staff combine the totals and send the first of these on or about May 10, and thereafter every two weeks.

If we can assist you in any way, please call on us. We wish you success and look forward to your reports.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara Patterson
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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RESIDENCE: 1609 G. STREET
TELEPHONE: 265-2440

BRUNSWICK BRANCH OF THE
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OFFICE: 1304-1/2 GLOUCESTER STREET
TELEPHONE: 264-2088

REV. JULIUS C. HOPE, PRESIDENT

POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

MR. GEORGE D. MILLER, CHAIRMAN

GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

May 3, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed, financial reports for week ending April 29, 1966. All items with exception of postage and printing were paid by checks. A sample of printed material is attached to petty cash voucher No. 2. All other printing will be handled from our own office whenever possible. Note change in supplier for office material, because of the difference in the prices for same quality of supplies.

An overall progress report will be sent about, May 10, 1966, as requested by Mrs. Barbara Patterson, Director of Research.

Sincerely yours,

G. D. Miller

G. D. Miller, Director
GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

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Sample of material run off in office.

GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT VOUCHER

BRUNSWICK, GLYNN, GEORGIA

NO_____ AMOUNT $_____

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RECEIVED FROM GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

THE SUM OF _____ DOLLARS_____ CASH CHECK_____

FOR _____ TO _____

CHARGE TO _____

RECEIVED BY _____ FOR _____

SIGNATURE OF RECIPIENT _____

APPROVED BY _____

May 4, 1966

First National Bank of Brunswick
P. O. Box 1477
Brunswick, Georgia 31621

Re: Account # 09-044-6

Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find our check in the amount of $250.91 to be deposited in the account of the Glynn County Voter Education Project, Brunswick, Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosure

May 5, 1966

Mr. G. D. Miller
Director
Glynn County Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 163
Brunswick, Georgia

Dear Mr. Miller:

Enclosed you will find the following:

a) A copy of our letter to the First National Bank of Brunswick, transmitting funds.

b) Copybof the deposit slip.

c) Weekly reporting forms.

Please send us some more deposit slips.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
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GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

May 10, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed, financial reports for week ending May 6, 1966. A sample of printed material is enclosed along with deposit slips. Please note petty cash.

Sincerely yours,

G D Miller

G. D. Miller, Director
GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

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May 12, 1966

The Reverend Julius C. Hope
Brunswick Branch, NAACP
Department of Voter Education
Zion Baptist Church
1509 "G" Street
Brunswick, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hope:

In her letter to yourof April 26, 1966 Mrs. Patterson mentioned the research reports the Voter Education Project would require of the Brunswick Branch, NAACP, under the terms of our grant to conduct voter registration in Glynn County. Enclosed in her letter were forms which were to be filled out and returned to us twice a month. Under the provisions of our grant we are withholding additional funds until these reports are received in our office.

Since your program was operative as of April 18 the first of these reports whould have been mailed to us on or about May 10.

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo

cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

May 12, 1966

Mr. G. D. Miller
Director
Glynn County Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 163
Brunswick, Georgia

Dear Mr. Miller:

In compliance withthhepprovisions of our guidelines, we are forwarding a copy of your Bank Reconciliation as of April 29, 1966.

It is our sincere wish that your program is indeed successful, and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosure

May 16, 1966

First National Bank of Brunswick
P. O. Box 1477
Brunswick, Georgia 31521

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $150.00 to be deposited to the account of the Glynn County Voter Education Project. Also enclosed is a deposit slip indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

TO/mmj
Enclosures

cc: Mr. G. D. Miller

May 16, 1966

Mr. G. D. Miller
Director
Glynn County Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 163
Brunswick, Georgia 31521

Dear Mr. Miller

Enclosed are the following:

a) Copy of the letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited in your account at the First National Bank of Brunswick, and b) weekly report forms.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

TO/mmj
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cc: Mr. W. C. Patton
The Reverend J. C. Hope

RESIDENCE: 1609 G. STREET
TELEPHONE: 265-2440

BRUNSWICK BRANCH OF THE
N.A.A.C.P.

OFFICE: 1304-1/2 GLOUCESTER STREET
TELEPHONE: 264-2088

REV. JULIUS C. HOPE, PRESIDENT

POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

MR. GEORGE D. MILLER, CHAIRMAN

(GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT)

May 17, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed, financial reports for week ending May 13, 1966.
We trust that all other necessary reports have been received.

Sincerely yours,

G.D. Miller

G.D. Miller, Director
GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

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May 19, 1966

Mr. G. D. Miller
Director
Glynn County Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 163
Brunswick, Georgia

Dear Mr. Miller:

Enclosed are the following:
a) Copy of our letter of transmittal, indicating amount deposited in your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

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May 19, 1966

The First National Bank
of Brunswick
P. O. Box 1477
Brunswick, Georgia 31521

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $90.00 to be deposited to the account of the Glynn County Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosures

cc: Mr. G. D. Miller

RESIDENCE: 1609 G. STREET
TELEPHONE: 265-2440

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OFFICE: 1304-1/2 GLOUCESTER STREET
TELEPHONE: 264-2088

REV. JULIUS C. HOPE, PRESIDENT

POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

MR. GEORGE D. MILLER, CHAIRMAN

(GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT)

May 24, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed, financial reports for week ending May 20, 1966. A sample of printed material is enclosed also.

Sincerely yours,

G. D. Miller

G. D. Miller, Director
GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

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RESIDENCE: 1609 G. STREET
TELEPHONE: 265-2440

BRUNSWICK BRANCH OF THE
N.A.A.C.P.

OFFICE: 1304-1/2 GLOUCESTER STREET
TELEPHONE: 264-2088

REV. JULIUS C. HOPE, PRESIDENT

POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

MR. GEORGE D. MILLER, CHAIRMAN

(GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT)

May 31, 19

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed, financial reports for week ending May 27, 1966.

Sincerely yours,

G D Miller
G. D. Miller, Director
GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

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Agency GLYNN COUNTY VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Grant Number VEP-66-38

Bank Reconciliation as of May 31, , 19 66

Bank First National Account Number 01-000-90-446

1. Balance per Bank Statement 143.84
2. Add Deposits in Transit -0-
3. Total (1 plus 2) 143.84
4. Deduct checks outstanding:

No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount
22	18.90				

Total Checks Outstanding - end of month 18.90

5. Adjusted bank balance (3 minus 4) 124.94
6. Balance per weekly Reports 127.74
7. Difference between 5 and 6, if any 2.80
8. Explanation of difference

Service charges not deducted from Weekly Reports

April - .95

May - 1.85

Total - 2.80

Prepared by

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

June 1, 1966

Mr. G. D. Miller
Director
Glynn County Voter Education Project
P.O. Box 163
Brunswick, Georgia

Dear Mr. Miller:

Enclosed are the following: a) Copy of our letter of transmittal to the First National Bank of Crunswick of Georgia, b) copy of deposit slip and c) Weekly Report Forms for your weekly reports.

Also we need some additional deposit slips.

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

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JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
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JOSEPH HAAS, COUNSEL
PAUL ANTHONY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
JAckson 2-8764

May 31, 1966

First National Bank of Brunswick
P.O. Box 1477
Brunswick, Georgia 31621

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $125.00 to be deposited to the account of Brunswick Branch, NAACP in Georgia.

Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

June 7, 1966

The First National Bank
of Brunswick
P. O. Box 1477
Brunswick, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $109.00 to be deposited to the account of the Glynn County Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

cc: Mr. G. D. Miller

June 7, 1966

Mr. G. D. Miller
Director
Glynn County Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 163
Brunswick, Georgia

Dear Mr. Miller:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of your Bank Reconciliation, dated May 31, 1966, c) copy of deposit slips, and d) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

The Project is indeed grateful to you and your staff for the expeditious manner in which you have carried out the provisions of our guidelines.

It is our sincere wish that your program is successful, and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
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June 9, 1966

The First National Bank
of Brunswick
Brunswick, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $ 140.00 to be deposited to the account of the Glynn County Voter Education Project, Brunswick, Georgia. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

cc: Mr. G. D. Miller

June 9, 1966

Mr. G. D. Miller
Glynn County Voter Education Project
1304 Glouchester Street
Brunswick, Georgia

Dear Mr. Miller:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the First National Bank of Brunswick, b) copy of deposit slip indicating amount deposited to your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

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Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

Wiley A. Branton, Project Director

BRUNSWICK BRANCH, NAACP

Budget Revision 8 week program

April 22 to June 10, 1966

VEP 66-38 Report due Wednesday

Director @ $50 per week	$400.00	
Secretary @ $40 per week	320.00	
Office Rent	100.00	
Telephone	~~26.00~~ 50.00	
Office Supplies	50.00	
Transportation	325.00	
Postage	25.00	
Publicity and Printing	150.00	
		$1420.00

cc: W.C. Patton

RESIDENCE: 1609 G. STREET
TELEPHONE: 265-2440

BRUNSWICK BRANCH OF THE
N.A.A.C.P.

OFFICE: 1304-1/2 GLOUCESTER STREET
TELEPHONE: 264-2088

REV. JULIUS C. HOPE, PRESIDENT

POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

MR. GEORGE D. MILLER, CHAIRMAN

(GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT)

June 14, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed, financial reports for week ending June 10, 1966.
Concluding reports will be sent after June 17, 1966.

Thank you for the financial report forms.

Sincerely yours,

G. D. Miller

G. D. Miller
GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

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RESIDENCE: 1609 G. STREET
TELEPHONE: 265-2440

BRUNSWICK BRANCH OF THE
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OFFICE: 1304-1/2 GLOUCESTER STREET
TELEPHONE: 264-2088

REV. JULIUS C. HOPE, PRESIDENT

POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

MR. GEORGE D. MILLER, CHAIRMAN

6/28/66

(GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT)

June 21, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed are the financial reports for the week ending June 17, 1966.

We wish at this time to express our appreciation for the aid extended to us through your financial grant, that has helped us do a job of registration and education that would not have been as successful as it has been if it was not for this grant given by Southern Regional Council, Incorporated.

This grant has made possible the registration of better than 1100 persons in this community and it has made possible the education of many as far as voting procedure is concerned; especially when it comes to the use of voting machines; that are to be used for the first time in our City Primaries and City General elections.

Our effort for continued registration will go on at least until the deadline for city registration of September 6 and the full-time program made possible by your grant has given the necessary impetus to this effort.

Again we say, many thanks.

Sincerely yours,

G. D. Miller

G. D. Miller, Director
GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

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June 21, 1966

The First National Bank
of Brunswick
Brunswick, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $200.09 to be deposited to the account of the Brunswick Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. G. D. Miller

June 21, 1966

Mr. G. D. Miller
Glynn County Voter Education Project
1304 Glouchester Street
Brunswick, Georgia

Dear Mr. Miller:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited to your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

June 22, 1966

Mr. G. D. Miller
Glynn County Voter Education Project
1304 Glouchester Street
Brunswick, Georgia

Dear Mr. Miller:

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to have your proposal in our files. I am well aware of the substantial roll played by you in preparing this proposal, and wish to express my deep gratitude for your cooperation.

On Friday, June 24 I will be in Brunswick, Georgia to get better acquainted with you and your project. We' look forward to a mutual, pleasant, and profitable day.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

June 27, 1966

Mr. G. D. Miller
Glynn County Voter Education Project
1304 Glochester Street
Brunswick, Georgia

Dear George:

This brief note is to thank you for an informative review of your Project. Please convey to the other members of your staff my sincere thanks also.

The Project cannot, at this time, honor your request for supplementary funds for two reasons: 1) the limited amount of funds on hand, 2) our desire to put some funds in every community in the South. Savannah has had at least some funds, while other areas in Georgia have had none. I am sure you understand.

As you wind up your program, at your earliest possible convenience, a full report on your program would be appreciated. This of course, as you know, is in keeping with our guidelines.

Thank you once again for everything.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

RESIDENCE: 1609 G. STREET
TELEPHONE: 265-2440

BRUNSWICK BRANCH OF THE
N.A.A.C.P.

OFFICE: 1304-1/2 GLOUCESTER STREET
TELEPHONE: 264-2088

REV. JULIUS C. HOPE, PRESIDENT

POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

MR. GEORGE D. MILLER, CHAIRMAN

(GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT)

July 5, 1966

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Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed are the final financial reports for the period ending July 1, 1966.

Since this is our final report for the present project grant we wish again to express our appreciation for the aid extended to us through your financial grant.

It has been a pleasure and experience to work with members of the staff of Southern Regional Council, Inc. and we wish to convey our thanks to all of them.

Sincerely yours,

G. D. Miller

G. D. Miller
GLYNN, VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

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Bulletin

S.O.S.

THINGS YOUR VOTE CAN ACCOMPLISH WHEN YOU BECOME A REGISTERED VOTER

◊ In simple things like paved streets and sidewalks, sewers and sanitation and other services Negroes are usually short-changed because too few of them are registered to vote. Negro sections are dust in dry weather and mud in wet weather to such an extent that a stranger can tell where "colored town" is located just by the conditions of streets and sidewalks.

YOUR VOTING can put persons in public office who desire to change such conditions.

◊ In few Southern states are there any state minimun wage laws. Consequently workers not protected by the Federal minimun wage law have no protection against exploitation.

YOUR VOTING can cause the issue of adequate state minimum wage laws to be raised with greater vigor, and the greater prospect of enactment of such laws.

◊ Section 14B of the Federal Labor Law under which states maintain their "right to work" laws, which weaken the unions by reducing their dues paying membership, needs to be repealed.

YOUR VOTING in the South can make repeal of this section 14B of the Federal Labor Law easier, provided, of course that the unions take effective action to eliminate discrimination within their ranks.

◊ There are Federal food distribution programs designed to help those persons with the lowest per capita income. It seems that many politicians in control feel that it is not important to take advantage of Federal welfare programs that would be of benefit mostly to Negroes.

YOUR VOTING can put those people in office who would take advantage of all Federal programs designed to make more food available to the needy WITHOUT COST.

◊ In many Southern communities Negroes hold few if any government jobs. In most instances no jobs such as typist, clerks, stenographers or other white-collar jobs.

YOUR VOTING could and should demand an equitable share of city, county and state jobs.

◊ Although many Southern states spend a larger proportion of their taxable capacity on education than do states in the North and West, the greater financial effort produces poorer results because an average per capita income in the South is low.

The obvious remedy is more Federal aid to education. Most Southern Congressmen have usually opposed such legislation out of fear that this aid would be tied to school desegregation.

YOUR VOTING in larger numbers in coming elections can change this with the result being more Federal aid to education to the advantage of people of the South and the entire country.

◊ Negroes suffer from unemployment about twice as much as do Whites. More jobs can be supplied by a massive program of useful public works, plus a vigorous enforcement of the fair employment practice section of the 64 Civil Rights Act to see that Negroes get fair share of jobs on new publicworkers. This will add to other employment through increased expenditures of the new employees. These wages and profits put into circulation benefits the entire economy.

YOUR VOTING can put persons in public office who will push for these things.

◊ The FIRST MAIN STEP to bring about such changes in these important areas of living and civic endeavor is to become registered. After you have your name on the registration list urge others to do likewise. Always remember for every ONE little vote that you have, it takes TWO other votes t over-ride your ONE. NOW IS THE TIME.

REGISTER TO VOTE!

V.E.P.

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT (NAACP)

PROPOSED BUDGET

Period 8 Weeks

Place: Bulloch County, Statesboro, Ga. Date: 4-7-66

Salaries - Professional	$500.00				
Clerical	170.00				
Travel	100.00				
Transportation	565.00				
Office Rent	80.00				
Tele. & Tele	50.00				
*Publicity & Promotion	280.00				
Office Supplies	80.00				
Printing Supplies	100.00				
Furniture & Fixtures	40.00				
General (Lump Sums)	35.00				
Postage					
Total	$2000.00				

*Service Rendered By Consultants Included

Submitted by Bulloch County Branch NAACP,

Patrick Jones President

P.O. Box 812

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

TWENTY WEST FORTIETH STREET • NEW YORK 18, N. Y. • BRyant 9-1400

Please direct reply to:

W. C. Patton
Field Secretary
234 Hernando Street
Memphis 5, Tenn.

1630 NORTH FOURTH AVENUE
ROOM 407
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
PHONE 322-0708

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April 11, 1966

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Vernon Jordan

FROM: W. C. Patton

Please find attached a proposal from the Bulloch County Branch of the NAACP which I hope will meet with your immediate approval.

TO.
VEP-75

July 8, 1966

Mr. Patrick Jones
President
Bullock County Branch, NAACP
Statesboro, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jones:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Bullock County Branch, NAACP to conduct a voter registration campaign in the Bullock County area. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,400 for a 10-weeks program to run from July 11 to September 16, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to ten weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's salary ..... (@ $35.00 per week)	$ 350.00
Transportation	200.00
4 Task Force Workers @ $15.00 per week	600.00
Office Rent	100.00
Office Supplies	50.00
Postage and Printing	50.00
Telephone	50.00
	$1,400.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank, the Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program, a copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Friday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: (a) number of persons registered, (b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, (c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, (d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, (e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, (f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let me hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/mmj
Enclosure

July 14, 1966

Mr. Patrick Jones
President
Bullock County Branch, NAACP
Statesboro, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jones:

In his letter of July 8, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program began July 11, we will need reports from you on July 25, August 8, August 22, September 5, and September 19.

In addition, we will need two narrative reports from you one on August 20 and another on September 20, after your program has been completed. These longer reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers, and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outl ine of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

July 22, 1966

Mr. Patrick Jones
President
Bullock County Branch, NAACP
Statesboro, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jones:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Bullock County Bank b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 22, 1966

Bullock County Bank
P.O. Box 878
Statesboro, Georgia 30458

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $400.00 to be deposited to the account of the Bullock County Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:
cc: Mr. Patrick Jones

August 8, 1966

Mr. Patrick Jones
President
Bullock County Branch, NAACP
Statesboro, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jones:

This is to acknowledge recepit of your First Weekly Report. We would like to call to your attention that these reports are due weekly. When we do not receive them weekly, it puts a strain upon your financial operations.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Bullock County Bank, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 8, 1966

Bullock County Bany
P.O. Box 878
Statesboro, Georgia 30458

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $300.00 to be deposited to the account of the Bullock County Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Patrick Jones

August 26, 1966

Mr. Patrick Jones
President
Bullock County Branch, NAACP
Statesboro, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jones:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Weekly Reports of August 5, and August 12. Mr. Jordan, in his letter to you of July 8 indicated that your reports are due weekly. For the continued successful operation of your Project, it is necessary that these reports be submitted weekly.

Enclosed are the following; a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

We are always eager to fund our Project. Please do not hesitate to write us if we can be of further service.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

August 26, 1966

Bullock County Bank
P.O. Box 878
Statesboro, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $105.00 to be deposited to the account of the Bullock County Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

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August 29, 1966

Mr. Patrick Jones
P. O. Box 812
Statesboro, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jones:

I want to reiterate what I said on the long distance call relative to getting in weekly reports to Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director of Voter Education Project in Atlanta, Georgia. The continuation of your project receiving funds is depended upon promptness and accuracy of your reports.

Lack of promptness and in-accuracy may stand in the way of you receiving funds in the future.

Please take it upon yourself personally to see that these reports are gotten in immediately.

Yours truly,

W. C. Patton

WCP:ml

September 1, 1966

Bullock County Bank
P.O. Box 878
Statesboro, Georgia 30548

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $125.00 to be deposited to the account of the Bullock County Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 1, 1966

Mr. Patrick Jones
President
Bullock County Branch, NAACP
Statesboro, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jones:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 6, 1966

Mr. Patrick Jones
President
Bullock County Branch, NAACP
Statesboro, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jones:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indication amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 6, 1966

Bullock County Bank
P.O. Box 878
Statesboro, Georgia 30558

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $147.00 to be deposited to the account of the Bullock County Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
ALBERT W. DENT, VICE PRESIDENT
MARION A. WRIGHT, VICE-PRESIDENT
JOSEPHINE WILKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT
RUFUS E. CLEMENT, VICE-PRESIDENT
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JOSEPH HAAS, COUNSEL
LESLIE W. DUNBAR, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA
Madison 2-8764

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

BUDGET REVISION: BULLOCK COUNTY BRANCH, NAACP
VEP 66-75, Report due Friday

10 Week Program July 11 to September 16, 1966

Director @ $35. per week	~~$35.00~~	$350.00
Transportation	200.00	
(4) Task Force Workers @ $15. per week	600.00	
Office Rent	100.00	
Office Supplies	50.00	
Postage and Printing	50.00	
Telephone	50.00	
		$1400.00

September 19, 1966

Mr. Patrick Jones
President
Bullock County Branch, NAACP
Statesboro, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jones:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Bullock County Bank, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 19, 1966

Bullock County Bank
Post Office Box 878
Statesboro, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $130.00 to be deposited to the account of the Bullock County Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO

October 11, 1966

Mr. Patrick Jones
President
Bullock County Branch, NAACP
Statesboro, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jones:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slips, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 11, 1966

Bullock County Bank
P.O. Box 878
Statesboro, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $125.00 to be deposited to the account of the Bullock County Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

BULLOCH COUNTY VOTER REGISTRATION
and
CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION PROJECT

Statesboro, Georgia

General Description

Location - Statesboro, Georgia, the Bulloch County seat of government is located in the southeast part of the State of Georgia, latitude 32 degrees - 30'; longitude 80 degrees - 45'. Statesboro is 200 miles southeast from Atlanta, 100 miles east from Macon, 53 miles west from Savannah, 80 miles south from Augusta, and 171 miles north of Jacksonville, Florida. This city is located at the crossroads of U. S. Highways 301, 25 and 80. These highways carry a large volume of tourists and other traffic through the city.

Terrain and Area - Statesboro is 254.0 feet above sea level. The city limits encompass 4.54 square miles. Bulloch County has an area of 684 square miles. The county ranks 32nd in population and 7th in area of square miles in comparison to other counties within the State (1960 U. S. Census of Population, U. S. Dept. of Commerce).

Market and Industry - Statesboro is in the center of a large southeast Georgia trade area. It has the highest retail sales volume per capita of any community in the State (with the exception of Atlanta). In 1946 the Statesboro tobacco market took the lead in Georgia and Florida and has held that position every year since, with the exception of three years. There are 12 tobacco warehouses with a floor space of over 760,000 square feet located within the county. Weekly livestock auctions and two daily livestock buying stations are currently in operation. There is a sweet potato curing house and strong markets

for cotton, peanuts, pecans and produce.

For over a half century Bulloch County has been among the top countries in agriculture, livestock and naval stores production.

As machinery replaced human farm labor and crop controls cut production, it became necessary for Statesboro to look to industry and tourist trade. A functioning Bulloch County Development Corporation and the Statesboro Bulloch County Chamber of Commerce developed effective plans which greatly increased tourist flow over Bulloch's arterial highways offered a business asset and encouraged better tourist accommodations. Industry began moving into the city and county. Today there are several manufacturing operations principally concentrated in lumber, canning, and packing, textile, garmet making, meter manufacturing, manufacture of wool yarn, carpet, wood working, fertilizer, and meat packing. Presently, there are 18 wholesale supply houses. Markets and industry offer abundant supply of native born labor, male and female for a large number of white adults and a small number of non-whites.

Population - In 1960, U. S. Census figures indicated a population of 24,263 for the county with 8,356 within the city and 15,907 in the rural. Two major communities, in addition to Statesboro, within the county revealed the following population: Brooklet, 557 and Portal, 494. In 1950, records indicate a population of 24,740 for the county and 6,097 for the city. The estimated population figures for 1966 are 24,000 for the County and 9,000 for the city with approximately 16,000 whites and 8,000 Negroes within the County. Of this total 6,000 whites, 3,000 Negroes are estimated within the city.

Grant Proposal

Kind of Program - The proposed project will be two-phase - voter registration and citizenship education. It is the feeling of the group that although we may increase the number of persons on the registration books who are eligible to vote, it is also necessary to give these persons instruction relative to their civic responsibilities and the importance of exercising their rights as citizens. Historically, the difference between the number of citizens who register and the number who vote indicates the urgent need for effective citizenship classes. For instance, in the 1964 Presidential Election, 2,720 voted the Democratic ticket, while 4,823 voted Republican within this county. A total of 7,543 or only 58% of all eligible persons within the county voted in this election. Figures based upon race were not available.

The need for an effective voter registration program within the county is also evident when a comparison is made of the population and the number of persons who are registered voters.

Recent information revealed that of an estimated 24,000 persons within the county, approximately 13,000 or 54% are registered. Out of an estimated total of 8,000 Negroes within the county, 1700 or 21% are registered. These figures justify the need for a voter registration campaign throughout the county.

The director and staff will select persons in each general area to be responsible for providing needed transportation for that area. Where there is a high concentration of unregistered persons, additional transportation personnel from that area will

be assigned. Transportation personnel will be required to keep an accurate record of the total number of persons who register, along with names and addresses. These reports will be made to the leaders within the area and to the director of the program.

For the citizenship education phase, resource persons within the county and persons in adjacent counties will be obtained to assist with instruction and orientation for the citizenship classes. These classes will be held throughout the county and will involve small neighborhood groups or community groups. Assigned leaders who are working with voter registration will also assist the director in the organization and implementation of the citizenship classes.

All leaders assigned to streets, small areas or communities throughout the city and county will be given extensive orientation and/or instruction by the director, staff, and selected personnel relative to the scheduled time for various activities, approaches to be used, specific street or area assignments, boundaries, hours for registration, special records, transportation, etc. Transportation personnel will also be given necessary orientation.

Where - The proposed project will cover the County of Bulloch, Georgia, which has an area of 684 square miles, located in the 1st Congressional District, 49th Senatorial District, and within the Ogeechee Judicial Circuit.

There are twelve districts where persons may vote throughout the county. A list of these districts is enclosed with this report.

As indicated on the enclosed map, there are three communities of high concentration relative to population. They are Statesboro (9000), Brooklet (557) and Portal (494).

Who - Mrs. Ruth B. Payton serves as field director of the Voter Registration Committee. Mrs. Payton completed her secondary education at the Emanuel County High School at Swainsboro, Georgia.

Mrs. Payton is the assistant manager of Payton's Mortuary and operates a private kindergarten. She is presently serving as chairman of special school projects; the March of Dimes, the Red Cross and Heart Fund drives.

Mrs. Payton is president of the Tripolette Social Club, treasurer of the William James P. T. A., treasurer of the Statesboro Council on Human Relations, secretary of the Savannah District Ministers Wives Association, secretary for Interdenominational Ministers, secretary of the Women's Society of Christian Service, member of Eastern Star Lodge, Bulloch County Branch of the N A A C P and the American Legion Auxiliary. She is a member of the Brannen Methodist Church where she teaches Sunday School. She also serves as advisor for the Youth Choir and the M. Y. F.

Mrs. Payton was elected P. T. A. Worker of the Year for Bulloch County in 1965. She received the March of Dimes Certificate for Bulloch County in 1965.

Mrs. Payton is married to Rev. H. R. Payton, pastor of Brannen Chapel Methodist Church and proprietor of Payton's Mortuary.

Cost - As indicated in the enclosed proposed budget, a total of $2000.00 is being requested. Of this total, $500.00 is to be obtained from the local association.

Time - The project is scheduled to operate for a total of ten (10) weeks, beginning May 1, 1966 and ending July 15, 1966.

Background. - It was of interest to note that in the last Presidential Election (1964), a total of 7,543 or 58% of all persons eligible to vote participated in this election. In a recent city election, a total of 1900 persons voted. Two persons, a Negro candidate and the incumbent, were competing for a seat on the city council. Out of an estimated 600 Negroes who are registered within the city, approximately 300 voted. Results from the election showed 1500 votes for the incumbent and 350 for the Negro candidate.

Negroes do not hold any appointive jobs within the city or county government.

There are two active organizations within the community at the present time. The NAACP and the Statesboro Human Relations Council have made attempts to establish bi-racial committees, obtain equal job opportunities and organize personnel for voter registration drives. Persons who have been assigned to the Steering Committee for this proposed project have been active in both organizations.

Presently, the City Hall and the County Tax Commissioner's Offices are open from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Prior to the beginning of the project, registration procedures will be evaluated. It is necessary to determine whether or not failure for many to register is because of inconvenience of hours and location of the offices for registration. If so, city and county officials will be urged to approve registration procedures which will meet the needs of

those desiring to register during the interval of time for the scheduled campaign.

Out of an estimated total of 13,000 white and non-whites registered throughout the county, only 1750 are Negroes. This would mean that of the estimated 8,000 Negroes in Bulloch County, 21% are registered voters.

In previous efforts where groups have attempted to motivate persons to register and participate in elections, complacency has been evident. Several persons resented being approached concerning registration, while others who were already registered would not vote. It is possible that the approach used by various groups or individuals contributed to the feelings and attitudes of some of the persons involved.

Past political activities and candidates involved have also contributed to the attitude and the complacency of many Negroes. Throughout the past, Negroes have not had a choice among candidates. It was not possible to identify any clear-cut differences in attitude and/or principles between candidates which would be of concern to Negroes. In addition, there was the feeling that the small number of Negroes who had registered would not influence the results of the election.

Recent results from a city election which involved a white and a Negro candidate were so disappointing that persons throughout the city and county revealed deep concern relative to the extent of Negro participation in the election and the total number of registered voters. It also indicated to persons of color that they

can and will have a choice to make relative to candidates.

With the proposed citizenship education program, along with the voter registration campaign, fuller participation on the part of all persons is expected. Small group discussions and classes involving neighbors will have a profound influence upon helping to further change the existing attitudes. As additional names are added to the registration list, along with discussion relative to civic responsibilities, fuller participation on the part of persons within the county will become a reality.

STEERING COMMITTEE

Mr. Grady C. Lovett	Chairman
Rev. Richard Bell	Co-Chairman
Mrs. Charlie Lewis	Co-Chairman
Mr. Patrick Jones	President, Bulloch County Branch NAACP
Mr. R. H. Hamilton	Treasurer, Voter Registration League, Statesboro
Mr. G. G. Alston	Secretary, Voter Registration League, Statesboro
Mrs. Ruth B. Payton	Field Director, Voter Registration League, Statesboro

WINFIELD J. LEE
Tax Commissioner, Bulloch County
STATESBORO, GEORGIA

DISTRICT	NAME	WHERE VOTE
44th	Sinkhole	Courthouse there
45th	Register	Andersons Store
46th	Lockhart	
47th	Briarpatch	Courthouse in Stilson
48th		Emit Lee's Store
1209th	Statesboro	Various Places
1340th	Bay	Esla School
1523rd	Brooklet	City Hall in Brooklet
1547th	Emit	Lee Hue Hagin's Store
1575th	Blitch	Middleground School
1716th	Portal	City Hall in Portal
1803rd	Nevils	School House

March 15, 1966

Mr. George W. Ford
Progressive Funeral Home
Buena Vista Road
Columbus, Georgia

Dear Mr. Ford:

Thank you for your inquiry concerning information voter registration in your county.

In order for us to properly equate your program, we would need a proposal in accordance with the enclosed guidelines. May I suggest that you submit a proposal at your earliest possible convenience? We are indeed interested in your program, and will do whatever we can to help its promotion.

We look forward to hearing from you at an early date.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosures

THE NON-PARTISANS VOTERS LEAGUE
Columbus, Georgia

March 31, 1966

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

ATTENTION: Mr. Thaddeus Olive

Gentlemen:

Please consider this our formal request for a VEP Grant in the amount of $1500.00.

Enclosed are documents demonstrating our project, goals and needs, prepared in accordance with guidelines furnished in your letter of March 15, 1966. We have made every effort to make this file as complete as possible. We realize that you may wish more information and we stand ready to make every effort to furnish you with additional data at your request.

Our community is badly in need of increased registration and we feel that the approval of this grant will be a giant step toward the accomplishment of this goal.

Yours very truly,

THE NON-PARTISANS VOTERS LEAGUE, Inc.

By George W. Ford, Jr.
President

NON-PARTISANS VOTERS LEAGUE, Inc.
815 Sixth Avenue
Columbus, Georgia 31901

March 31, 1966

REQUEST FOR VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT GRANT

AMOUNT OF REQUEST - $1500.00

KIND OF PROGRAM:

The program is a voter registration project. It is limited to the geographical confines of Muscogee County, Georgia. According to the 1960 census, Muscogee County had a population of 158,623 people. The City of Columbus, which is the only city of any moment in the County, had a population of 116,779. The 1950 census listed the City of Columbus as having a population of 79,611 people which indicates a growth of more than 35,000 people in the city limits in 10 years. This growth is continuing and the 1965 City Directory gives the population figures as 124,000 - city; 173,800 - county. It is estimated that the Negro population is roughly 30% of the total.

No figures are kept showing the total of Negro registered voters, however, out of a total of 43,403 registered voters as of March 28, 1966, the deputy registrar in charge of registration estimated that the Negro registered voters are roughly 21% of the total. This would make the total number of registered Negro voters something less than 9000. This reflects an increase in Negro registration in the last decade of about 1500. We feel that this is not representative, particularly in light of the continuing growth of this community. The goal of this registration drive is to increase the number of registered Negro voters by 15,000.

WHERE:

Muscogee County has an area of 220 sq. miles. It is divided into 18 precincts. Attached hereto is a map of the city of Columbus showing in black lines the 16 city precincts. (See EXHIBIT A"). The overall drive is county wide, but since there is a heavy concentration of Negro people in the Rigdon Road Precinct, Marshall Precinct, Brown Avenue Precinct and Talbotton Road Precinct, arrangements have been made with the County Registrars to open additional registration offices at the precinct polling places at the times indicated on the attached schedule marked "EXHIBIT B". At the same time the official registration office will be open at all times the additional registration offices are open.

RESPONSIBLE ORGANIZATION:

The Non-Partisans Voters League is a non-profit organization incorporated by the State of Georgia, with a stated purpose of working in the area of community betterment. It was organized shortly after the Primus King case in 1945 and has been in continual existence since that time. There has been a concerted effort to see that its leadership and membership includes Negro leaders from all professions and walks of life, as well as people of divergent political views. We feel that this goal has been reached. A list of the officers of the organization is attached hereto and marked "EXHIBIT C".

COST:

It is estimated that the total cost of this drive will be $2054.30. The organization has for a start of the drive approximately $500.00. A detailed budget is attached hereto and marked "EXHIBIT D".

TIME:

The drive is to last through the month of April, 1966. A kickoff meeting was held on March 29, 1966 at the Masonic Temple at 815 6th Avenue in Columbus, Georgia. All plans for the drive are complete and arrangements for opening additional registration places have been made. (See "EXHIBIT B")

PROJECT ORGANIZATION:

The enclosed organizational Chart marked "EXHIBIT E" shows the basic structure of the drive. "EXHIBIT F" shows some of the duties of the chairmen of various committees and also has inserted the names and occupations of volunteers who have agreed to man these positions. All of the workers are volunteer with the exception of Rev. E. L. Battle, Pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church, who has agreed to work full time as Director of Registration, and certain secretarial help who will work in the Project Office on a full time basis. The Delta Sigma Theta Sorority has volunteered to supply sufficient members to serve as deputy registrars at all special registration places and are now in the process of being trained. A fraternity has offered to match the number of women workers at the registration places as assistants. Another sorority is being asked to operate the telephone canvas that will be conducted. The ministers of the City are starting a drive to emphasize the registration project in their Churches. Every organization, social, civic or fraternal, is being contacted and requested to work in some phase of this drive.

BACKGROUND:

Politically, Muscogee County has traditionally been a Democratic stronghold, with a weak Republican Party. However, in the last election, Muscogee County went Republican in the Presidential race and in the race for U. S. Congressman for the 3rd Congressional District. One other republican now holds public office in the County. This would indicate that the County is still democratic on local issues with a tendency to vote republican (or conservative) on national issues.

Negro participation in the last elections, which were special elections to fill vacancies created by reapportionment, was very weak. It is estimated that about 2000 Negroes voted in the last special election. In the Presidential election it is estimated that about 6000 Negroes went to the polls, mostly voting a straight Democratic ticket.

George W. Ford, Jr., ran for the office of County Commissioner in the 1964 Democratic Primary and ran a very good second in a three man race. He was the first Negro to offer for election since reconstruction days.

Albert W. Thompson ran successfully for the Georgia General Assembly in the summer of 1965. He was the second Negro to offer for public office and the only elected Negro office holder since reconstruction days. Both Ford and Thompson are Democrats and ran with party support, and it appears that both still have party support. There has been no breakthrough in appointive jobs, though Negroes are on the Anti-Poverty Board and the Bi-Racial Committee. Recently a Negro was placed on a bond issue study committee and it is possible that a Negro will be placed on the Public Safety Board within the next year.

Muscogee County seems to be progressivein many instances. Contact across racial lines is at an all time high. This is not to indicate that there is not a remnant of the diehard segregationist, but the atmosphere is such that the segreganist no longer has as sympathetic a forum as once existed.

"EXHIBIT B"

Register In These Areas

AFTER WORK

RIGDON ROAD SCHOOL	FRIDAY	7: P. M. - 9: P. M. April 8, 1966
	SATURDAY	8: A. M. - 1: P. M. April 9, 1966
MARSHALL JR. HIGH	FRIDAY	7: P. M. - 9: P. M. April 15, 1966
	SATURDAY	8: A. M. - 1: P. M. April 16, 1966
BROWN AVENUE SCHOOL	FRIDAY	7: P. M. - 9: P. M. April 22, 1966
	SATURDAY	8: A. M. - 1: P. M. April 23, 1966
TALBOTTON ROAD JR. HIGH	FRIDAY	7: P. M. - 9: P. M. April 29, 1966
	SATURDAY	8: A. M. - 1: P. M. April 30, 1966

Note: Room No. 3 Courthouse, will be open as usual from 8:30 A.M. until 5: P.M. Monday - Friday

– For Information Call: 324-2807 –

(Non-Partisian VOTERS LEAGUE, Inc., Columbus)

NON-PARTISANS VOTERS LEAGUE, INC.

OFFICERS:

President	Mr. George W. Ford, Jr.
1st Vice President	Rev. Fred Lofton
2nd Vice President	Mr. Lee F. Wooten
3rd Vice President	Mrs. Everine Taylor
Recording Secretary	Miss Mary Alice Thomas
Financial Secretary	Rev. W. R. Walters
Treasurer	Mr. George Rowell
Public Relations Director	Mr. T. J. Johnson
Chaplin	Rev. H. L. Gladney
Parliamentarian	Prof. G. F. Rivers
Sergeant at Arms	Mr. Willie Millner

"EXHIBIT C"

NON-PARTISANS VOTERS LEAGUE
Columbus, Georgia

VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT
April, 1966

BUDGET

INCOME:

CONTRIBUTIONS -- -	$2054.30
TOTAL INCOME - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	$2054.30

EXPENSES:

Salaries:		
Director (full time) - - - - - - - - - - -	$400.00	
Secretarial staff (full and part time) - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	500.00	
Postage, stationery & supplies:		
Postage _- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	250.00	
Paper & office supplies- - - - - - - - - -	200.00	
Printing -	150.00	
* Transportation- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	-400.00	
** Telephone -	54.30	
TOTAL EXPENSES- - - - - - - - - - - - -		$2054.30

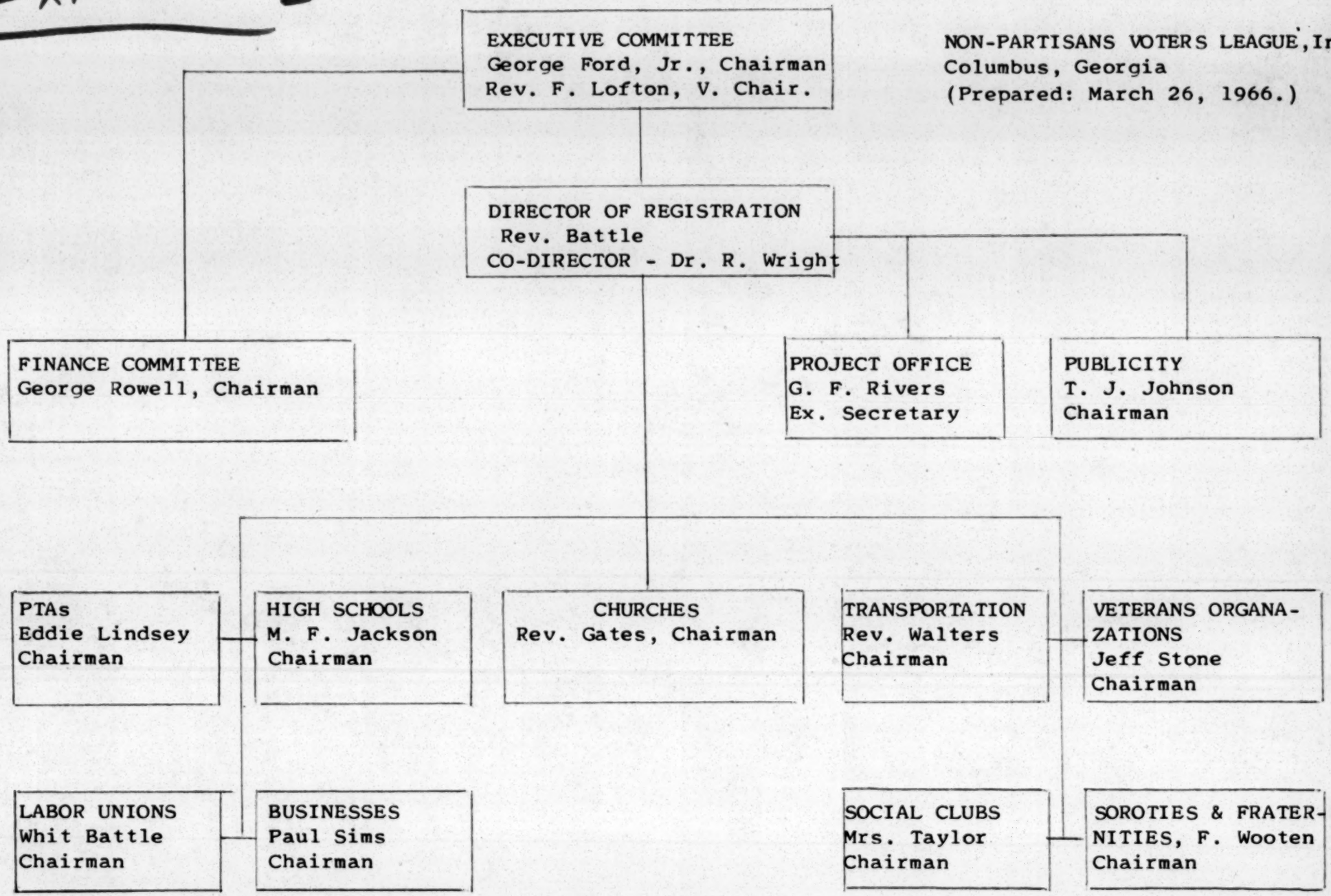
* It is planned to keep two cars available at all times during the drive on a full time basis to be supplemented by volunteer cars during rush hours.

** This is the total cost of installation and service charge for four telephones to be located in the project offices at 815 6th Avenue.

"EXHIBIT D"

"EXHIBIT E"

NON-PARTISANS VOTERS LEAGUE, Inc
Columbus, Georgia
(Prepared: March 26, 1966.)



NON-PARTISANS VOTERS LEAGUE, INC.
COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

REGISTRATION DRIVE

(Rev E.L. Battle, Pastor Macedonia Baptist Church)
DIRECTOR OF REGISTRATION: The Director is entrusted with the overall direction of the voter registration drive, with the assistance of the Co-Director and volunteer groups and individuals. The Director, along with the Co-Director, will contact ministers of various Churches and ask for their support by setting up definite dates for programs to be conducted at their Churches; to inform the people as to the importance of this drive. The Director will be responsible for the establishing of the headquarters and for the administration of all reports coming in and going out of the headquarters. Headquarters will be located in the Masonic Temple, 815 Sixth Avenue.

(Dr Robert Wright, Optometrists)-OD)
CO-DIRECTOR OF REGISTRATION: Serves in the absence of the Director, but also in conjunction with.

(MSgt George Rowell (Ret'd)(Real Estate Salesman)
FINANCE CHAIRMAN: For the purpose of this drive the finance chairman, with the assistance of members of his committee will formulate a plan to carry out financial needs for this drive, to include requesting Voter Education Project Grants from existing sources.

(T.J. Johnson Sr(Administrative Assistant, Civilian Personnel)Civil Service
PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN: The publicity chairman, with the assistance of groups and individuals of his choosing is responsible for publicizing this drive to the extent that there will be no person in Muscogee County that will not know dates, hours and places that they will be able to register to vote during this drive. The publicity chairman will require that all News Releases for television, radio, newspapers, etc. be released by him or persons that he will designate.

MEMBERS AND VOLUNTEER GROUPS

(Mr Mose Jackson) Manager, of Atlanta Life Insurance Co
HIGH SCHOOLS: Committeeman designated to contact the schools asking for the assistance of the student body, will coordinate with the director as to what the students assignments will be in this drive.

(Mr Whit Battle)Employed by Golden Foundry
LABOR UNIONS: Committeeman designated to contact the labor unions will seek the support of all labor unions, and ask them to actively support this drive in any manner they can; financially or otherwise.

(Mr Paul Sims)Businessman, Dry Cleaning
BUSINESSES: Committeeman designated to contact the businesses will select any members of league, other individuals or organized groups to assist him in canvassing all businesses, seeking the support of the management and customers. With the "Word-of-mouth" slogan being - REGISTER - REGISTER - REGISTER! ! !

(Rev W.R. Walters) Public Accountant
TRANSPORTATION: Committeeman designated to coordinate transportation

"EXHIBIT F"

will seek the support of members of the league; and especially those who have the use of several automobiles in their businesses. This committeeman will work directly with the Director of this Drive.

(Mr Eddie Lindsey)Teacher,Muscogee County School System

PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATIONS: Committeeman designated will be asked to contact the President of the Parent Teachers Association (Mrs. Mason) and seek the support of all P.T.A.s and affiliated groups. This committeeman will work very closely with the Director.

(CWO Jeff D Stone (Ret'd)U.S.Army)

VETERANS AND FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS: Committeeman designated will contact each veteran's and fraternal organization asking for their support and assistance in this drive; primarily seeking their active participation in any manner that contributes to the success of the drive.(Mrs Everine Taylor)Supervisior,Schwobilt Manufacturing Co and (Mr Lee F Wooten)Dist Manager Sales,Hamilton Funds)

SORORITIES, FRATERNITIES, SOCIAL CLUBS: Committeeman designated will contact every club, sorority and fraternity in the Muscogee County Area and ask them to work actively in this drive, or give any support that they can. This committeeman will select any individual interested in voter registration to assist him in accomplishing our goal.

(Prof G.F. Rivers,Retired from Muscogee County School System)

OFFICE: Committeeman designated for this assignment will supervise the clerical personnel in the office, located in the Masonic Temple, 815 6th Avenue. He will be assisted by members of the Executive Committee or by persons designated by the Director.

NOTE: All workers should know the areas and dates in which night registration will take place, and that room #3 in the basement of the courthouse is open from 9:00 to 5:00 daily, and will remain open each night during the drive as long as needed.

Individuals designated as group coordinators will furnish telephone numbers where they may be located at any given time during this drive.

Printed materials announcing the drive, giving dates, hours and places of registration for this drive will be furnished all workers for distribution in their assigned areas.

At all future meetings during this drive it is requested that the chairman of committees and designated coordinators of groups be present to render their "progress reports" in writing. If the head of the group cannot be present, then he or she will designate an alternate to present their written report.

MUSCOGEE COUNTY, GEORGIA

Registered voters by precincts as of opening of registration office on March 28, 1966:

PRECINCT		YEAR		
		1962	1964	1966
1.	Courthouse	1616	1935	1829
2.	Fox	1865	2162	2043
3.	Johnson	3627	4131	4021
4.	East Highland	1694	1957	1908
5.	St. Elmo	2674	3226	3238
6.	Wynnton	4243	4701	4786
7.	Brown Avenue	1706	2560	2608
8..	Marshall	661	1141	1205
9.	Beallwood	1739	2621	2960
10.	Clubview	2029	2808	3077
11.	Rigdon Road	1706	2463	2480
12.	(In) Baker Village	1998	3088	3448
12.	(Out) Baker Village	241	539	632
13.	Bibb City	331	358	330
14.	Double Churches	825	833	1159
15.	Gentian	2523	3426	3813
16.	Bozeman	1939	3043	3482
17.	Midland	194	245	254
18.	Upatoi	86	109	126

Total Registered - March 28, 1966 43,403

"EXHIBIT G"

B

REGISTER AT THESE PLACES

Rigdon Road School	Friday 7-9P.M.	8 Apr 66
" " "	Saturday 8 A.M.-1 P.M.	9 Apr'66
Marshall Jr. High School	Friday 7-9P.M.	15 Apr'66
" " " "	Saturday 8 A.M.-1 P.M.	16 Apr'66
Brown Avenue School	Friday 7-9P.M.	22 Apr'66
	Saturday 8 A.M.-1:B.M.	23 Apr'66
Talbottom Road School	Friday 7-9P.M.	29 Apr'66
	Saturday 8A.M.-1 P.M.	30 Apr'66

NOTE:
Room #3, Registrar's Office in the Basement of the Courthouse is open daily Mon - Fri from 8:30 A.M. until 5:00 P.M.

Transportation will be furnished any citizen who would like to go to the places outlined above during the hours and on dates shown, for the purpose of registering to VOTE.

Transportation is available at any time during the period of this drive, Monday thru Friday, from 9:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. to carry citizens to room #3, in the basement of the courthouse for the purpose of registering to VOTE.

TOPIC: Importance of the Registered Voter.

M.C.	Mrs. Taylor
HYMN	Congregation
PRAYER	Rev. B. C. Carswell
SELECTION	Ga. & Ala. Choral Union
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER	Rev. J. H. Johnson
SPEAKER	Elder E. J. Lewis
SELECTION	Ga. & Ala. Choral Union
ORDER OF BUSINESS	Mr. George Ford
MINUTES OF LAST MEETING	Miss Mary Thomas
REPORT FROM REGISTRATION COMMITTEE:	
a. Churches	Rev. R. C. Gates
b. Transportation	Rev. W. R. Walters
c. Finance Chairman	Mr. George Rowell
CLOSING REMARKS	Rev. E. L. Battle (Director of Registration)
BENEDICTION	

Kick-Off Program
Registration Drive

Non-Partisan Voters League

Rev. E. L. Battle, Director

Tuesday

March 29, 1966 7:30 P.M.

at

Prince Hall Masonic Temple

803 - 6th Avenue
Columbus, Georgia

May 9, 1966

Mr. Vernon Mitchell
Columbus News
P. O. Box 1645
Columbus, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your request for copies of our guidelines. It is indeed wonderful to know that you plan to establish a voter registration campaign in Columbus, Georgia.

The Project will be happy to do whatever we can to promote your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Encl.

TO.
VEP-57

June 7, 1966

Mr. George M. Ford
President
The Non-Partisan Voters League
815 Sixth Avenue
Columbus, Georgia 31901

Dear Mr. Ford:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Non-Partisan Voters League for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Columbus, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,524.30 for a six week program to run from June 13 to July 22, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary @ $50.00 per week	$ 300.00
b)	Secretary @ $35.00 per week	210.00
c)	Transportation	360.00
d)	Postage	50.00
e)	Office Supplies	100.00
f)	Task Force Workers (5) @ $15.00 per week	450.00
g)	Telephone	54.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems encountered, if any, with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

THE FOURTH NATIONAL BANK

MEMBER FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

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COLUMBUS — THE FOURTH NATIONAL BANK
MACON — THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK & TRUST COMPANY
ROME — THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK
SAVANNAH — THE LIBERTY NATIONAL BANK & TRUST COMPANY

June 10, 1966

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
c/o Mr. Thaddeus Oliver, Jr.
#5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Sir:

Today George W. Ford, Jr., President of the Non-Partisan Voters League, Inc., came into our bank to open their local account. Enclosed is a signature card for your record and mail deposits to be used in making deposits. Since this account has not been initially opened, we would appreciate your first check to be directed to me in order for this account to be opened. The following deposits can be made direct to our Mail Teller.

Thanking you for your cooperation.

Yours truly,

C. Douglas Johnston

C. Douglas Johnston
Assistant Cashier

CDJ:nas

Enclosures

June 14, 1966

Mr. C. Douglas Johnston
Assistant Cashier
The Fourth National Bank
Post Office Box 431
Columbus, Georgia 31902

Dear Mr. Johnston:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $400.00 to be deposited to the account of the Non-Partisan Voters League, Inc. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Douglas Johnston

June 14, 1966

Mr. George M. Ford
President
The Non-Partisan Voters League
815 Sixth Avenue
Columbus, Georgia 31901

Dear Mr. Ford:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited to your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

June 21, 1966

Mr. George Ford, President
Non-Partisan Voters League
815 Sixth Avenue
Columbus, Georgia 31901

Re: VEP 6-57

Dear Mr. Ford:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program began June 13, we will need reports from you on June 27, July 11, and July 25.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you on July 27, after your program has been completed. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques

employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or of importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

June 23, 1966

Mr. George M. Ford
President
The Non-Partisan Voters League
815 Sixth Avenue
Columbus, Georgia 31901

Dear Mr. Ford:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited to your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

June 23, 1966

Mr. C. Douglas Johnston
Assistant Cashier
The Fourth National Bank
Post Office Box 431
Columbus, Georgia 31902

Dear Mr. Johnston:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $251.00 to be deposited to the account of the Non-Partisan Voters League, Inc. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Douglas Johnston

NON-PARTISAN VOTERS LEAGUE INC.
COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

June 24,1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council,Inc.
5 Forsyth Street,N.W.
Atlanta,Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Transmitted herewith is our " Voter Education Project Financial Report" for the period of June 20 - June 24 1966.

Sincerely yours,

Jeff D. Stone
Member-Director
Registration Committee

JDS/
Encl:

June 27, 1966

Mr. C. Douglas Johnston
Assistant Cashier
The Fourth National Bank
Post Office Box 431
Columbus, Georgia 31902

Dear Mr. Johnston:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $25.000 to be deposited to the account of the Non-Partisan Voters League, Inc. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. George M. Ford

June 27, 1966

Mr. George M. Ford
President
The Non-Partisan Voters League
815 Sixth Avenue
Columbus, Georgia 31901

Dear Mr. Ford:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Fourth National Bank of Columbus, Georgia, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Please do not cut the report forms.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

NON- PARTISAN VOTERS LEAGUE INC.
COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

July 1,1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Transmitted herewith is our " Voter Education Project Financial Report" for the period of June 27 - July 1,1966.

Sincerely yours,

Jeff D. Stone
Member-Director
Registration Committee

JDS/mat
Encl:

JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
JOSEPHINE WILKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT
RUFUS E. CLEMENT, VICE-PRESIDENT
STEPHEN J. WRIGHT, VICE-PRESIDENT
PAUL R. CHRISTOPHER, VICE-PRESIDENT
RAYMOND M. WHEELER, CHAIRMAN, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
JOSEPH HAAS, COUNSEL
PAUL ANTHONY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Southern R[illegible] Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W[illegible] 30303

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

7-7-66

Dear Sir:

I am interested in several problems as relate to voter registration and the Voter Education Project.

Firstly, what is going well in your project, and what techniques are most effective in registration? The VEP needs this information to advise other groups just starting their projects.

Secondly, how many students do you have working, if any, and what kind of job have they done?

Thirdly, concerning newly registered voters, do you conduct any sort of voter education after registration? Do you think such education is necessary? How do the newly registered voters fit into the political picture in your county?

Finally, what are the most difficult problems you have faced in your work, and what suggestions do you have for the future?

I plan to visit your project some time next week, to discuss this with you and as many field workers as you think necessary. If possible, I would like to spend some time out in the field with your workers, and more important, talking to the people who are being registered.

I look forward to meeting you.

Yours,

William R. Beardslee
Student Field Director

WRB:nm

NON-PARTISAN VOTERS LEAGUE INC
COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

July 8,1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council,Inc
5 Forsyth Street,N.W.
Atlanta,Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Transmitted herewith is our " Voter Education Project Financial Report",for the period of July 4 - July 8,1966.

Sincerely yours,

Jeff D. Stone
Member-Director
Registration Committee

JDS/
Encl:

July 11, 1966

Mr. George M. Ford, Jr.
President
The Non-Partisan Voters League
815 Sixth Avenue
Columbus, Georgia 31901

Dear Mr. Ford:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Fourth National Bank of Columbus, Georgia, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 11, 1966

Mr. C. Douglas Johnston
The Fourth National Bank
Columbus, Georgia

Dear Mr. Johnston:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $252.00 to be deposited to the account of the Non-Partisan Voters League, Inc. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Assistant Administrator

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. George M. Ford, Jr.

July 13, 1966

Mr. C. Douglas Johnston
Assistant Cashier
The Fourth National Bank
P.O. Box 431
Columbus, Georgia 31902

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $209.00 to be deposited to the account of the Non-Partisan Voters League, Inc...Also enclosedfare deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. George Ford, Jr.

July 13, 1966

Mr. George Ford, Jr.
President
The Non-Partisan Voters League
815 Sixth Avenue
Columbus, Georgia 31901

Dear Mr. Ford:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to The Fourth National Bank b) copy of deposit slip indicating amount in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Assistant Administrator

TO/pf
Encls:

Vacation Bible School was held at the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church from July 4 Thru July 8 under the Supervision of Mrs. M. Marsh who instructed the students in Christian education with Bible Studies, also included in their daily activities were Handicraft and Sewing.

The School consisted of two groups which were Seniors and Beginners.

The Bible school climaxedl Sunday Night with Commencement Exercises and a program with paper, solos and a candlelight march. At the Close of the program refreshments were served.

Seeking achievement in the Senior Group were 28: Annie Jackson, Larry Wright, Lawrence Belamy, Elaine Sumbry, Judy Jackson, Lillie Wyett, Brenda Johnson, Julia M. Sumbry, Phillis Johnson, Virginia Sumbry, Hattie Jakes, Jerome Perry, Wiley Miles, Joe Sumbry, Johnnie Jackson, Christine Lockhart, James Thomas, Edna Castill, Virginia Hoskin, David Johnson, Rosa E. James, Patricia Dixon, Joseph Castill, Donald James and Mary Harrie.

Beginners group numbered approximately forty or more. They were Barbara A. Johnson, Anthony Wallace, Horace Ward, Debra Ward, Diana Murphy, Wilma Mayfield, Odell Miles, Stanley Perry, Tommie Robinson, Debra Robinson, Tonie Castill, Jerry Castill, Phillis Gaston, Christie Jakes, Beatrice Burton, Jerome Turner and Rosalin Fleming and others.

Church News

The Providence Baptist Church of Lato, Alabama announces its Calendar of Activities for the month of July through August 7.

Revival is already in progress, with Prayer Services having started July 11. Next week will feature Rev. O. L. Holston, evangelist. Rev. Holston is pastor of Peace Baptist, Columbus, Ga., and Jerusalem Baptist, Motts, Ala. The ordinance of baptism will be observed the following Sunday morning, July 24 at 6:00 a.m.

Beginning July 25 through 29 Vacation Bible School will be held, with Commencement, Sunday, July 31. All the children in the Lato and surrounding areas are urged to attend this week of Bible Study, fellowship, handicraft and refreshments.

The first Sunday afternoon in August, the 7th The Bright Star Gospel Singers will be featured.

Members are urged to be present and all friends are invited and welcome to all of these services.

The Rev. R. L. Holston is pastor.

Greater Beulah Baptist Church will observe Baptismal Service, Sunday, July 17, 1966 at 6:00 P.M. Eight candidates for the water. Rev. G. W. Mitchell is pastor.

Gethsemane Baptist Church will journey to Elliaville, Ga. Sunday July 17, 1966 to be the guest of the Ovedeck Baptist Church. The bus will leave the church at 12:00 noon. Rev. R. C. Carter is pastor.

Greater Mt. Zion Baptist Church will observe the 15th annual session of the East and Ala. District Missionary Baptist and B.T.U. Sunday School Congress July 20th and 22nd. Beginning on the 20th at 3:00 p.m. Rev. George Caruthers, president. Dr. J. C. Cook, pastor.

Register & Vote

Cordele Relaxes To Curfew

The Cordele police department said Wednesday the curfew for this racially troubled south Georgia town has been relaxed to 10:30 p.m.

Last week the city commission ordered an 8:30 p.m. to 5 a.m. travel ban after three straight nights of racial violence. The curfew was relaxed at 9:30 p.m., Tuesday night and officials said it would be pushed back another hour if peace prevailed.

A city spokesman said all appeared "in good order" but that crowd gathering for "unlawful" purposes would be dispersed. This ruling cleared the way for meetings of civic clubs and other groups which had canceled gatherings because of the curfew.

Only persons with emergency reasons were permitted in the street after the curfew.

On Tuesday night the State Patrol removed the 100 extra troopers it had assigned here through the July 4th weekend.

PHENIX CITY NEWS

By Mrs. Mamie Menefee

CHURCH NEWS

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Funeral service for Mr. Gus Daniel of Lumpkin, Georgia is incomplete and will be announced later by Sumbry Funeral Home.

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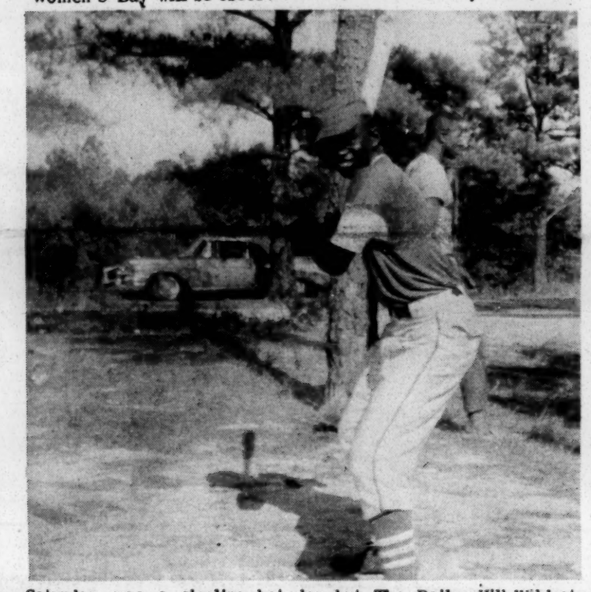

Saturday was a sizzling hot day but The Bailey Hill Wildcats sweated it out in a double header at the ballpark. Above is Elwood J. Moore the great catcher for The Wildcats, preparing to bat one into outfield. The Wildcats played against the Blue Socks and the Crawford Team with Grady Howard at first base, Oscar Miller at second base in-the first game and Donnie Hood at second base in the last game, Sylvester Crowell at third, till Stallins shortstop and Cordele Parker and Charlie Carson in outfield with Wiggins pitching. Fred Arnold was also in outfield.

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Miss Gloria Lockhart was guest speaker at the Youth Day program Sunday, July 10 at Enterprise Baptist Church. Others featured on the program were devotion by Bro Wheeler Glance, Jr. Welcome Miss Shirley Morgan, Paper by Miss Ronella Kindell daughter of Rev. J. C. Kindell who is chairman of the Youth Dept. A trio was rendered by Misses Joann, Shirline and Vernell McCoy. The Enterprise Junior Choir furnished Music. Rev. M. Wiggins is pastor.

The East Alabama District Minister's Wives Union will meet at the Central Baptist Church Friday July 15 at 11:00 a.m. Mrs. J. H. Flakes, Chairman. Rev. J.C. Cook is pastor.

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July 22, 1966

Mr. C. Douglas Johnston
Assistant Cashier
The Fourth National Bank
P.O. Box 431
Columbus, Georgia 31902

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $154.30 to be deposited to the account of the Non-Partisan Voters League, Inc. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. George M. Ford

July 22, 1966

Mr. George M. Ford, Jr.
President
The Non-Partisan Voters League, Inc.
815 Sixth Ave.
Columbus, Georgia 31901

Dear Mr. Ford:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

Agency Non- Partisan Voters League Inc.

Grant Number VEP 66-57

Bank Reconciliation as of 31 January, 19 67

4th National Account Number 14-61-68-4

1. Balance per Bank Statement $9.84

2. Add Deposits in Transit -0-

3. Total (1 plus 2) $9.84

4. Deduct checks outstanding:

No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount
		NONE			

Total checks Outstanding - end of month -0-

5. Adjusted bank balance (3 minus 4) $9.84

6. Balance per weekly Reports $9.84

7. Difference between 5 and 6, if any -0-

8. Explanation of difference

Prepared by Thaddeus Olive, Jr.

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
522-8764

PAUL ANTHONY
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

October 10, 1967

Mr. George W. Ford
Buena Vista Road
Columbus, Georgia

Dear Ford:

In 1966, the Voter Education Project made a grant to ~~Non-Partisan Voters League~~

~~816 Sixth Avenue, Columbus, Georgia~~.

In view of the fact that this account is inactive, it becomes necessary for us to close out this account. Our records indicate that you have a balance in the bank, ~~The Fourth National Bank~~, in the amount of $ ~~+ 9.84~~. Please return said balance ($ 9.84) to the Voter Education Project immediately.

If we can be of further service to you in getting this matter cleared up, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

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TO:nm

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Mrs. Frances Pauley
52 Fairlie Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Pauley:

In 1966, the Voter Education Project made a grant to ~~Georgia Council on Human Relations~~ _____.

In view of the fact that this account is inactive, it becomes necessary for us to close out this account. Our records indicate that you have a balance in the bank, ~~The Chamblee National Bank~~, in the amount of $ 75.72. Please return said balance ($ 75.72) to the Voter Education Project immediately.

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~~916 Sixth Avenue, Columbus, Georgia~~.

In view of the fact that this account is inactive, it becomes necessary for us to close out this account. Our records indicate that you have a balance in the bank, The Fourth National Bank, in the amount of $ 9.34. Please return said balance ($ 9.34) to the Voter Education Project immediately.

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Sincerely yours,

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TO:nm

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VOTER EDUCATION AND REGISTRATION

GRANT

ALBANY, GA.

June 6, 1966

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JUN 8 1966

Dougherty County
Resources Development
c/o Mr. Charles Sherrod
P.O. Box 1641
Albany, Ga.

INTRODUCTION

In 1960, about 107 million citizens of the United States were eligible to vote, yet of this number only 84.4 million or 78.9 percent cared enough to register. And of those who registered, only 64.4 voted.

Georgia follows the national trend. In 1964 there were 1,385,964 persons registered. Of this number 19.3 were Negroes and only 602,381 voted in the last election, a number smaller than the Negro voting age population in Georgia (612,910).

The figures speak for themselves; this national and state trend must be reversed. In the initial proposal which follows, we intend to initiate a Southwest Georgia Voter Education Project which will slowly extend to twenty counties in the second Congressional District and nineteen counties in the third Congressional District.

This first proposal centers on Albany, Georgia, the chief city, and trade center of Southwest Georgia. Subsequent proposals will follow in relation to this one.

KIND OF PROGRAM

The program areas are to include voter registration and citizenship education with the intent toward a later proposal for leadership training to envolve the potential leaders in the thirty-nine counties mentioned above. The initiation of this program in Albany is the initiation of a Southwest Georgia Voter Education Project. An outline of the methods for this

endeavor follows:

I. STEERING COMMITTEE
   A. Composed of all organizations in the community
   B. Appoints the directors
   C. Assumes over-all responsibility for the drive

II. SUB-COMMITTEES
   A. Finance committee will solicit and disburse the budget
   B. Publicity committee will mount a public relation campaign
   C. What-not committee will facilitate special problems

III. HEADQUARTERS AND SUPPLIES
   A. Two community centers and other offices, ie. churches, will be utilized
   B. The following supplies will be needed: a telephone directory, registered voters list and a list of voters recently removed from the list, maps of the city and precincts, index cards, canvassing sheets, typewriters, and a memeograph machine
   C. There will be paid staff and volunteers who will:
      1. Make pledges to work so many hours each week and find other volunteers
      2. Ring doorbells, do telephoning and compile lists of potential registrants; they will be given work schedules and records of their work will be kept.
      3. Give and be given parties
      4. Arrange pep talks for all workers by VEP's
      5. Provide coffee, sandwiches and doughnuts for volunteers
      6. Set up car pools to pick up volunteers and return them to their homes

IV. TACTICS IN DETAIL
   A. Records check
      1. identify unregistered voters
      2. names of persons on voters list compared with names in telephone book to find unregistered voters
      3. volunteers will rearrange names on voters list by street and have number on index cards ie.-Registered Voters
         Ward 2
         Precinct 1

         Lincoln Street - House number

600	King, C. W.
600	King, Paul
604	Sherrod, Charles
606	Jordan, Vernon

4. door to door and telephone canvasser

Work sheet:
Ward 2 Precinct F
Street Lincoln
Date _____

Signature of Canvasser
_____
Marion King

House Number	Name	Telephone number	Remarks
600	King, C. W.	HE-29703	A.needs ride B.needs baby sitter C.will volunteer C.died E.moved F.lacks resident status G.house vacant

5. telephone book--numbers of volunteers, housewives, teachers, retired people, students, shut-ins, etc.

6. sound trucks improvised electronically and given a simple message, varied regularly

7. block workers will be recruited, instructed as to his responsibility and rewarded in some way, non -monetary.

8. Clean up team--the group responsible for approaching persons who promise to register but fail to do so.

9. foot soldiers--a cadre of persons adept at accosting persons on the downtown streets in the vicinity of the place of registration and encouraging them to register on the spot

10. monetary incentive plan--business leader promised to match ($.50) for each person registered in project.

NOTE: These are the general guidelines for the proposed Voter Registration campaign. Needless to say, the validity of the program in this phase will be determined by the creativity and drive of its participants. All effort will be given to accomodating the creative imagination, for of such is a successful voter registration drive made. The guidelines for the citizenship education program follows:

I. STRUCTURE
A. The steering committee of the Voter Registration committee will apoint a committee to assume full responsibility for citizenship education.
B. Public relation for the Voter Registration project will be a partial responsibility of this committee, thereby connecting the two operations.
C. Staff will be paid

II. HEADQUARTERS AND SUPPLIES
A. Headquarters and supplies will be shared with the Voter Registration Project
B. Radio and T. V. time needed

III. TACTICS
A. Neighborhood seminars
1. study Albany institutions to determine a. what they are b. how they function c. why they are important d. how they change ie. city government, state government, political parties, Negro political groups and factions, civil rights groups, business groups, business groups, public housing, employment, labor, means of new ways of financing housing, and social services. Public agencies, including the police health, welfare, streets and sewers and fire departments will be studied, also. As leaders emerge, assignments will be given--interviews, short papers--Person to be interviewed and public sources (newspapers, city Council and Commission hearings, etc.) will be selected to bring out conflicting analyses of institutions as far as possible.

B. Neighborhood symposiums
1. a weekly mass meeting with speakers
2. debates
3. roll playing to bring out points in a question answer period

C. A regular newsletter or regular articles in the local newspapers will be instigated which interpret current social phenomena conducive to the learning process relative to the subject matter at the time.

D. Educational materials, such as books and films, will be available to interested organizations along with persons from a speakers bureau--the staff and volunteers.

Where
Albany, Georgia
a map is included

Who

Program Personnel	Citizenship Education
1 Director	1 Director
10 Precinct workers	5 Neighborhood program initiators
1 Secretary	

Cost

Position	%time	Weeks	Salary	Local Contribution	Cost to VEP
2 Directors	100	9	$50.00	$900.00	
10 Precinct workers	100	9	$25.00		$2,250
2 Secretaries	100	9	$25.00		650

Travel

12 full time staff-9 weeks at 100 miles per week at 7¢ per mile $813.

Headquarters

Office space donated by community	$200.00	
Equipment and supplies		
Memeograph (donated)	250.00	
Typewriters (5)(donated)	500.00	
Movie Projector	250.00	
Loudspeaker System	200.00	
Telephones(12) at $15 a mo.	360.00	
Memeograph paper & printing costs ($25 a month)		50
Mailing costs		10
Total estimated value of local contribution	2660.00	
Total request of V.E. P. project		$3773.

Time

From June 15 to August 15

Background

In the past, Negro candidates have run for several offices, including the city commission(two times)and the mayorship. In the last election a Negro ran as an independent candidate supported by the Albany Movement. He received some 1400 votes.

Last fall there was a special vote on a bond issue. There were 2000 votes in predominantly Negro precincts and they ran 10 to 1 in favor of the bond. These votes more than provided the margin by which the bond issue won. The fact that so many people are willing to take off time from work in a special election would seem to indicate that there is a great deal of interest in community affairs. There are many people who need

only a small push, a ride to the ordinary's office, to get them registered. The office is open from Monday to Friday between the hours of 9 and 5 and on Saturdays from 9 - 12.

In 1960, Albany's population was 55,890. It is estimated now to be something over 65,000. This means that, in the space of fifteen years, the population has more than doubled. Over a third of this population is Negro but the registration of new Negro voters even after the passage of the Voting Rights ACT of 1965, has lagged behind population growth. The Negro Voter Registration statistics are very interesting for Dougherty County of which Albany is the county seat: total Negro voters 11/64--5,930; increase 12/64--2,262. But the Negro voting age population is 14,163 which is over two thousand votes more than the total vote cast in the 1964 presidential elections. Because of the lack of registered voters, the Negro has no voice in the government and is consequently denied due process in the courts, denied social equality in the streets, denied equal opportunity on the job and denied the face of a human being in our society.

Many groups have sponsored Voter Registration drives, few have launched Voter Education and Citizenship Education Projects along with them. The ground breaking work has been done. What we need now is the long term planning of such a conbined effort as is here proposed.

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VEP-63

June 10, a1966

Mr. Charles Sherrod
Doughtery County
Resources Development
P. O. Box 1641
Albany, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sherrod:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Doutherty County Resources Development for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Albany, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $3,700 for a 12-week period, to run from June 15 to September 1, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to 12 weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	(8) Precinct Workers (@ $25.00 per week)	$ 2,400.00
b)	(1) Secretary @ $ 25.00 per week	300.00
c)	Transportation	740.00
d)	Supplies and Printing	150.00
e)	Postage	110.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an ampunt approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Wednesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

cc: Slater King, Esq.

SNCC
229 1/2 SOUTH JACKSON
ALBANY GEORGIA

229½ South Jackson
Albany, Georgia
June 20, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan
6 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Vernon:

I'm sorry the response came so slowly. I had been out of the county for several days; you know how I travel when I'm down here.

We began work on June 15th so, as you might suspect we are already in debt. We have nine staff persons and about twenty volunteers. The staff persons are

Mrs. Annie Pearl Fleming
Rev. J.J.Johnson
Miss McCree Harris
" Shirley Miller
" Janice Walker
" Joanne Christian
" Lynconia Plumman
Mr. Clifford Wright
Miss Altomease Ford

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We will certainly follow all guidelines but there is still room for creativity.

I hope you will give me all the tips I need to keep the project healthy and the development of others in nearby counties. I'm looking forward to talking with you when I am in Atlanta. I called on Tuesday but you were in Norfolk I believe someone said.

In the Struggle,

Charles M. Sherrod

Charles M. Sherrod

June 21, 1966

Mr. Charles Sherrod
Dougherty County
Resources Development
P.O. Box 1641
Albany, Georgia

Re: VEP 6-63

Dear Mr. Sherrod:

In his letter of June 10, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and <u>not by estimate</u>.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program began June 15, we will need reports from you on June 29 and every two weeks thereafter.

In addition, we will need three narrative reports from you--one on July 15, one on August 12, and another on September 7 after your program has been completed. These longer reports should describe the scope and organization

of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. Comments from any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

June 21, 1966

Mr. Charles Sherrod
Doughterty County
Reousrces Development
Post Office Box 1641
Albany, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sherrod:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited to your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

June 21, 1966

First State Bank and Trust Company
Post Office Box 8
Albany, Georgia 31702

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $600.00 to be deposited to the account of the Doutherty County Reousrces Development. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Charles Sherrod

JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
JA-Auto 2-6744

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

7-7-66

Dear Sir:

I am interested in several problems as relate to voter registration and the Voter Education Project.

Firstly, what is going well in your project, and what techniques are most effective in registration? The VEP needs this information to advise other groups just starting their projects.

Secondly, how many students do you have working, if any, and what kind of job have they done?

Thirdly, concerning newly registered voters, do you conduct any sort of voter education after registration? Do you think such education is necessary? How do the newly registered voters fit into the political picture in your county?

Finally, what are the most difficult problems you have faced in your work, and what suggestions do you have for the future?

I plan to visit your project some time next week, to discuss this with you and as many field workers as you think necessary. If possible, I would like to spend some time out in the field with your workers, and more important, talking to the people who are being registered.

I look forward to meeting you.

Yours,

William R. Beardslee
Student Field Director

WRB:nm

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July 8, 1966

Mr. Charles Sherrod
Doughtery County
Resources Development
Post Office, Box 1641
Albany, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sherrod:

Please have the person responsible for your weekly reporting to complete the section "Weekly Cash Summary." The beginning balance for your next report should be $375.00.

Enclosed are the following: a) a copy of our letter of transmittal, and b) Weekly Report forms, for your weekly reporting. Also enclosed are deposit slips.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

TO

July 8, 1966

The First State Bank
and Trust Company
Post Office, Box 8
Albany, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $225.00 to be deposited to the account of the Doughtery County Resources Development. Also enclosed are deposit slips.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Charles Sherrod

July 11, 1966

Mr. Charles Sherrod
Doughterty County
Resources Development
Post Office Box 1641
Albany, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sherrod:

Please have the person responsible for filing your weekly reports complete the section "Weekly Cash Summary"/ This is very important, and when we have to stop to complete this it results in a delay in completing our audit.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Dougherty County Resources Development, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 11, 1966

First State Bank and Trust Company
Post Office Box 8
Albany, Georgia 31702

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $325.00 to be deposited to the account of the Dougherty County Resources Development VEP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Charles Sherrod

July 12, 1966

Mr. Charles Sherrod
Doughterty County Resource Development
P.O. Box 1641
Albany, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sherrod:

To facilitate our record keeping here at the project, please have the director of your voter registration drive "complete the weekly cash summary" on your weekly report of July 8, and return it to us as soon as possible.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

July 14, 1966

Mr. W. E. Thompson
Auditor
First State Bank & Trust Company
Albany, Georgia

Dear Mr. Thompson:

Pursuant to our telephone call of July 14, please find enclosed a zerox copy of our check payable to the First State Bank and Trust Company, Albany, Georgia in the amount of $600.

If we can be of any further service to you in this matter, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

July 14, 1966

Mr. Charles Sherrod
Doughtery County Resources Development
P.O. Box 1641
Albany, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sherrod:

Please find enclosed a validated duplicate copy of our deposit of June 20 payable to the First State Bank and Trust Companyu.

If we can be ~~66~~ further service to you, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

229½ South Jackson
Albany, Georgia
July 25, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

I am sending the deposit receipts for two deposits made last week. The first deposit which was $80.00, was made by Mr. Charles Sherrod to take care of some checks that were outstanding. The $225.00 deposit was made by Mr. Slater King to pay the staff.

Yours truly,

Shirley Miller

Shirley Miller
Secretary

BANK BY MAIL—
Special Checking Accounts can be opened by mail and all transactions can be handled by mail.

DEPOSITED WITH
First State Bank & Trust Co.
ALBANY, GEORGIA

ALL ITEMS ARE CREDITED SUBJECT TO PAYMENT

THIS IS YOUR RECEIPT

THE BANK SYMBOL, TRANSACTION NUMBER, DATE AND AMOUNT OF YOUR DEPOSIT ARE SHOWN BELOW.

Do. Cty. Voter Education Project
18-438-2

FSB NS 548 JUL22 225.00 D2
&TC

ALWAYS OBTAIN OFFICIAL RECEIPT WHEN MAKING DEPOSIT

FORM 71

BANK BY MAIL—
Special Checking Accounts can be opened by mail and all transactions can be handled by mail.

DEPOSITED WITH
First State Bank & Trust Co.
ALBANY, GEORGIA

ALL ITEMS ARE CREDITED SUBJECT TO PAYMENT

THIS IS YOUR RECEIPT

THE BANK SYMBOL, TRANSACTION NUMBER, DATE AND AMOUNT OF YOUR DEPOSIT ARE SHOWN BELOW.

Do. Cty. Voter Education Project
18-438-2

FSB NS 401 JUL19 30.00 D2
&TC

ALWAYS OBTAIN OFFICIAL RECEIPT WHEN MAKING DEPOSIT

FORM 71

July 27, 1966

First State Bank & Trust Company
Post Office Box 8
Albany, Georgia 31702

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $605.00 to be deposited to the account of the Dougherty County Resources Development. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Charles Sherrod

July 27, 1966

Mr. Charles Sherrod
Doughterty County
Resources Development
Post Office Box 1641
Alban, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sherrod:

Enclosed is a copy of the deposit slip of our most recent deposit. Included in the deposit is $225.00 to be reimbursed to Mr. Slater King, and $80.00 for the amount deposited by you. Thank you very much for the manner in which this matter was taken care of.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 2, 1966

First State Bank and Trust Company
Post Office Box 8
Albany, Georgia 31702

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find our check in the amount of $500.00 to be deposited to the account of the Dougherty County Resources Development. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Charles Sherrod

August 3, 1966

Mr. Charles Sherrod
Dougherty County
Resources Development
Post Office Box 1641
Albany, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sherrod:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the First State Bank and Trust Company b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

229½ South Jackson
Albany, Georgia
August 4, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

RECEIVED
AUG 5 1966

Dear Mr. Olive:

As you know, yesterday was payday for the workers in our project. We also have accounts open at Seely's Office Equipment Company and Howard Seay's Service Station. We have told Mr. Seay that we will pay the gas bill each week, but unless there are sufficient funds in the bank, we can't. We have now a balance of $20.

In the beginning, I was not completing the weekly report. I would like to know if this is still the problem.

Yours truly,

Shirley Miller

Shirley Miller
Secretary

August 10, 1966

First State and Trust Company
Post Office Box 8
Albany, Georgia 31702

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $300.00 to be deposited to the account of the Dougherty County Resources Development. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Charles Sherrod

August 10, 1966

Mr. Charles Sherrod
Dougherty County
Resources Development
Post Office Box 1641
Albany, Georgia

Dear Charles:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the First State and Trust Company, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encl:

August 17, 1966

First State and Trust Company
Post Office Box 8
Albany, Georgia 31702

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $500.00 to be deposited to the account of the Dougherty County Resources Development. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Charles Sherrod

August 18, 1966

Mr. Charles Sherrod
Dougherty County
Resources Development
Post Office Box 1641
Albany, Georgia

Dear Charles:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 17, 1966

First State and Trust Company
Post Office Box 8
Albany, Georgia 31702

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $500.00 to be deposited to the account of the Doggherty County Resources Development. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Charles Sherrod

August 31, 1966

Mr. Charles Sherrod
Dougherty County
Resources Development
P.O. Box 1641

Dear Charles:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 31, 1966

First State & Trust Company
P.O. Box 8
Albany, Georgia 31702

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $266.00 to be deposited to the account of the Dougherty County Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

OFFICE USE ONLY

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

XWiley A. Branton Project Director

BUDGET REVISION; Doutherty County Resources Development

VEP 66-63: Report due Wednesday of each week

June 1 5 to September 1, 1966 12 Weeks

(8) Precinct Workers @ $25. per week	$2400.00	
(1) Secretary @ $25. per week	300.00	
Transportation	X~~$13.00~~740.00	
Supplies and Printing	150.00	
Postage	110.00	
		$3700.00

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300.00
740.00
150.00
110.00
3.700.00 T

cc. Slater King
PO. 304025

September 6, 1966

Mr. Charles Sherrod
Dougherty County Resources Development
P.O. Box 1641
Albany, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sherrod:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 6, 1966

First State and Trust Company
P.O. Box 8
Albany, Georgia 31702

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $288.65 to be deposited to the account of the Dougherty County Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 19, 1966

Attorney C. B. King
P.O. Box 1025
Albany, Georgia

Dear Mr. King:

Please complete the enclosed Expense Account Form, and return to me at your earliest convenience.

It is indeed wonderful to have your assistance in promoting this program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 19, 1966

Mr. Charles Sherrod
Dougherty County Resources Development
Post Office Box 1641
Albany, Georgia

Dear Charles:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 19, 1966

First State and Trust Company
Post Office Box 8
Albany, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $415.35 to be deposited to the account of the Dougherty County Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 27, 1966

Mr. C. B. King
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 1025
Albany, Georgia

Dear Mr. King:

For your recent trip to Atlanta, please find enclosed a check to cover expenses connected with your trip.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 4, 1966

Mr. Charles M. Sherrod
534 Holloway Street
Albany, Georgia

Dear Charles:

Enclosed is something that I thought might be of some interest to you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosure
Ck. $57.00

October 11, 1966

Mr. Charles Sherrod
Dougherty County Resources
Development
P.O. Box 1641
Albany, Georgia

Dear Charles:

For your information:

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 23, 1966

First State Bank and Trust Company
Post Office Box 8
Albany, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $500.00 to be deposited to the account of Baker County Voter Education Project.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 23, 1966

The Reverend Charles Sherrod
c/o Mrs. Grace Miller
Route 2, Box 74
Newton, Georgia

Dear Charles:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

December 21, 1966

First State Bank and Trust Company
P.O. Box 8
Albany, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $385.06 to be deposited to the account of Baker County Voter Education Project.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

December 21, 1966

The Reverend Charles Sherrod
c/o Mrs. Grace Miller
Route 2, Box 74
Newton, Georgia

Dear Charles:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

RECEIVED
DEC 28 1966

1213 E. Clark Ave.
Albany, Georgia
December 27, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth St. N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed is a copy of the letter sent to Wiley Branton in Washington.

In the struggle,

C. M. Sherrod

Charles M. Sherrod

Please let Vernon see the letter

January 3, 1967

Mr. Charles Sherrod
c/o Mrs. Grace Miller
Route 2
Box 74
Newton, Georgia 31770

Dear Mr. Sherrod:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittl, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO/pf

January 3, 1967

First State Bank and Trust Company
Post Office Box 8
Albany, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $280.00 to be deposited to the account of Baker County Voter Education Project.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

January 13, 1967

The Reverend Charles Sherrod
c/o Mrs. Grace Miller
Route 2, Box 74
Newton, Georgia

Dear Reverend Sherrod:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Weekly Report #6 for the week ending January 9, 1967. We are returning this weekly because you failed to include the necessary vouchers for the expenditures for gas.

May we have these at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

Rt 2 Box 74
Newton, Ga.
Jan 17, 1966

RE

JAN 20 1967

Dear Mr. Jordan,

We received your letter accompanied by the financial report you returned. We did not realize that you wanted transportation payments accompanied by vouchers sent to you, so we have not been saving the receipts. When we checked with the service station manager, he no longer had all the receipts, although I saw them last week when I added up the amount we owed him. I enclose those receipts we were able to get. As you can see for some of the dates during December, usually more than one car buys gas on one day & the cars go to different areas of the county. According to my records, for instance, three cars were used on Jan 6, but ~~only one~~ no gas slips could be

(it was bought for another)

obtained for this date.

We are keeping the receipts now in case you want us to include them in the financial reports. Please let us know if you do.

Possibly the reason you questioned the transportation bill on this particular report was that there were two bills reported. The first (#133) was for Dec 19 - Jan. 1 and the second (#135) was for Jan. 1 - Jan 9. (The workers did not canvassing during the week before Christmas.)

We hope this explanation will suffice for this time.

Respectfully yours,

Meredith D. Hepfer

January 17, 1967

First State Bank & Trust Company
Post Office Box 8
Albany, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $147.79 to be deposited to the account of the Baker County Voter Education Project.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

January 17, 1967

The Reverend Charles Sherrod
c/o Mrs. Grace Miller
Route 2, Box 74
Newton, Georgia

Dear Charles:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount depotisted in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

February 1, 1967

The Reverend Charles Sherrod
c/o Mrs. Grace Miller
Route 2, Box 74
Newton, Georgia

Dear Charlie,

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of our deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report Forms for your weekly reporting.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

February 1, 1967

First State Bank and Trust Company
Post Office Box 8
Albany, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $72.57 to be deposited to the account of the Baker County Voter Education Project.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

encls:

3 February 1967

The Reverend Charles Sherrod
c/o Mrs. Grace Miller
Route 2, Box 74
Newton, Georgia

Dear Charles:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO: pc
Encls.

3 February 1967

First State Bank & Trust Company
Post Office Box 8
Albany, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of 246.57 to be deposited to the account of the Baker County Voter Education Project.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO: pc
Encls.

9 February 1967

The Reverend Charles Sherrod
c/o Mrs. Grace Miller
Route 2, Box 74
Newton, Georgia

Dear Charles:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TP: pc
Encls.

9 February 1967

First State Bank and Trust Company
Post Office Box 8
Albany, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $85063 to be deposited to the account of Baker County Voter Education Project.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO: pc
Encls.

22 February 1967

The Reverend Charles Sherrod
c/o Mrs. Grace Miller
Route 2, Box 74
Newton, Georgia

Dear Charlie,

The meeting yesterday was most informative. The potential in Baker County for such programs, I think, is tremendous. It was most enjoyable to meet and talk with members of the Baker County Movement.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the First State Bank and Trust Company, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO: pc

22 February 1967

First State Bank and Trust Company
Post Office Box 8
Albany, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $140.00, to be deposited to the account of the Baker County Voter Education Project.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO/pc

March 6, 1967

First State Bank &
Trust Company
Post Office, Box 8
Albany, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $140.00 to be deposited to the account of The Baker County Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosures

cc: Mr. Charles Sherrod

March 6, 1967

The Reverend Charles Sherrod
c/o Mrs. Grace Miller
Route 2, Box 74
Newton, Georgia

Dear Charlie:

Enclosed are the following: a) Copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited in your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosures

March 14, 1967

Mr. Charles Sherrod
c/o Mrs. Grace Miller
Route, Box 74
Newton, Georgia 31770

Dear Charles:

Enclosed are the following: a) Copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited to your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosures

March 14, 1967

The First State Bank
and Trust Company
P. O. Box 8
Albany, Georgia 31702

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $65.00 to be deposited to the account of the Baker County Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosures

cc: Mr. Charles Sherrod

March 28, 1967

First State Bank and Trust Company
Post Office Box 8
Albany, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $198.70 to be deposited to the account of the Baker County Movement Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips and signature card.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosures

March 29, 1967

The Reverend Charles Sherrod
c/o Mrs. Grance Miller
Route 2, Box 74
Newton, Georgia

Dear Charlie:

Enclosed are the following: a) Copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited in your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

March 29, 1967

The Reverend Charles Sherrod
c/o Mrs. Grance Miller
Route 2, Box 74
Newton, Georgia

Dear Charlie:

Enclosed are the following: a) Copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited in your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

March 28, 1967

First State Bank and Trust Company
Post Office Box 8
Albany, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $198.70 to be deposited to the account of the Baker County Movement Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips and signature card.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosures

May 4, 1967

The Reverend Charles Sherrod
c/o Mrs. Grace Miller
Route 2, Box 74
Newton, Georgia

Dear Charlie:

A recent audit of your Project's Account shows that Mr. Vernon Hall has been paid $58.70 on two separate occasions. Enclosed for your examination is check #202 payable to Mr. Vernon Hall for $58.70. On your weekly report for April 22, 1967 check #223 is payable to Mr. Vernon Hall, with a note "replacement of check #202". This cannot be a replacement, because check #202 has cleared the bank and has been paid to Mr. Hall.

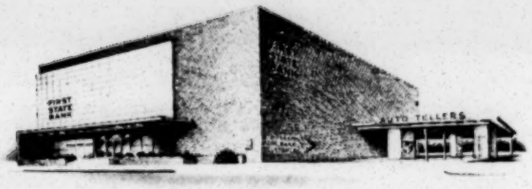
May we have an explanation of this matter as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

FIRST STATE BANK
& TRUST COMPANY



ALBANY, GEORGIA

Dougherty County Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

It was a pleasure to learn today that you have opened an account with us. Since organizing in 1905, First State Bank & Trust Company has been building with Albany in its banking services to the community. Whenever you are in need of any of the services listed on the enclosed brochures, we hope you will remember us.

You will find enclosed your Customer Service Card. Notice that it has your name, address and account number engraved on it. The letters are raised so that when the card is inserted in a machine at any one of our Tellers' Windows, it will accurately head up your deposit slip.

Each of our customers is now using personalized checks which contain an account number; however, if you are without your personalized checks, you can quickly refer to your Customer Service Card and insert your account number on another check form.

Before putting your Customer Service Card in your wallet, please sign it, where indicated, using your bank signature. If you have any other questions concerning this card, please feel free to ask your Teller, who will be happy to assist you.

We at First State Bank & Trust Company will be looking forward to seeing you again soon.

Sincerely,

George H. Joiner
Executive Vice President

GHJ/jw

Encls.

RECEIVED
JUN 2 1966

To: Southern Regional Council Voter Education Project
Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director
5 Forsythe Street
Atlanta, Georgia

From: Dublin and Laurens County B ranch of the N.A.A.C.P.
Dublin and Laurens County Youth Branch of the N.A.A.C.P.
Post Office Box 1033
Dublin, Georgia

Re: Funds For Voters Registration Drive

The purpose of the drive is to register Negro voters, so as to increase the role by 1500 Negro voters. This will be concentrated in Dublin and Laurens County. It will last from June 6 through July 29, 1966, a period of eight weeks.

The adult chapter and youth council of the N.A.A.C.P. are planning a joint drive to register all eligible Negros in this ~~ora~~ area.

Program coordinator (50.00 times 8 weeks).	$400.00
Assistant coordinator (35.00 times 8 weeks)...	$280.00
Telephone	$50.00
Transportation (5 cars 25.00 weekly).	$200.00
Literature	$75.00
Lunch etc. for workers (for 30 workers). . . . . (40¢ a day for 40 days)	$480.00
Secretary (weekly 25.00).	$200.00
Miscellaneous.	$75.00
Total	$1,760.00

Reuben L. Gamble, Pres.
Reuben L. Gamble
Dublin-Laurens County Branch NAACP

Mattie McGirt, Pres.
Mattie McGirt
Dublin-Laurens Youth Council of NAACP

RLG/CBMc

From: Reuben L. Gamble, Pres.
Dublin-Laurens County
Branch N.A.A.C.P.
Post Office Box 1033
Dublin, Georgia

To: Mr. Joe L. Tucker
Georgia State Field Director N.A.A.C.P.
857½ Hunter Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Please give this budget immediate attention in that we do not wish the momentum to die down.

Immediate response will be greatly appreciated.

In the struggle,

Reuben L. Gamble

Reuben L. Gamble

RLG/CHMc

June 20, 1966

Mr. Reuben L. Gamble, President
Dublin-Laurens County
Branch N.A.A.C.P.
Post Office Box 1033
Dublin, Georgia

Dear Mr. Gamble:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Dublin and Laurens County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Dublin, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,205.00 for an eight week program from June 20 to August 12, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director @ $50 per week	$400.00
Assistant Director @ $35 per week	280.00
Telephone Servicesq	50.00
Transportation	200.00
Supplies	75.00
Secretary @ $25. per week	200.00
	$1205.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature

card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank, the Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program, a copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forthe the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Mr. Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/pf
Encl.

June 24, 1966

Mr. Reuben L. Gamble, President
Dublin-Laurens County Branch, NAACP
Post Office Box 1033
Dublin, Georgia

Dear Mr. Gamble:

In his letter of June 20, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program began June 20 we will need reports from you on July 4, July 18, August 1, and August 15.

In addition, we will need two narrative reports from you--one on July 20 and another on August 18, after your program has been completed. These longer reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered,

within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

FARMERS & MERCHANTS Bank
DUBLIN, GEORGIA

"YOUR HOME BANK"

WALLACE E. MILLER
CASHIER

July 1, 1966

NAACP Headquarter
5 Forsyth St., N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Gentlemen:

We were requested by Reuben L. Gamble to notify your office that an account had been established in our bank to be known as "NAACP - Voter Registration Drive". Authorized signatures on this account are Thomas Pooler, Willis Tucker, and Reuben L. Gamble, with two of the three signatures required on withdrawal checks.

We appreciate our bank being favored with this account and look forward to receiving deposits from your office immediately.

Sincerely yours,

Wallace E. Miller

Wallace E. Miller
Cashier

WEM:ea

SINCE 1910

July 1, 1966

Farmers & Merchants Bank
Dublin, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $400.00 to be deposited to the account of the Dublin - Laurens Count Branch, NAACP.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Ruben L. Gamble

July 1, 1966

Mr. Ruben L. Gamble
President
Dublin-Laurens County Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 1033
Dublin, Georgia

Dear Mr. Gamble:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, and b) Weekly Report Forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
JOSEPHINE WILKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT
RUFUS E. CLEMENT, VICE-PRESIDENT
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RAYMOND M. WHEELER, CHAIRMAN, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
JOSEPH HAAS, COUNSEL
PAUL ANTHONY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Southern R[illegible] Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W[illegible] 30303

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

7-7-66

Dear Sir:

I am interested in several problems as relate to voter registration and the Voter Education Project.

Firstly, what is going well in your project, and what techniques are most effective in registration? The VEP needs this information to advise other groups just starting their projects.

Secondly, how many students do you have working, if any, and what kind of job have they done?

Thirdly, concerning newly registered voters, do you conduct any sort of voter education after registration? Do you think such education is necessary? How do the newly registered voters fit into the political picture in your county?

Finally, what are the most difficult problems you have faced in your work, and what suggestions do you have for the future?

I plan to visit your project some time next week, to discuss this with you and as many field workers as you think necessary. If possible, I would like to spend some time out in the field with your workers, and more important, talking to the people who are being registered.

I look forward to meeting you.

Yours,

William R. Beardslee
Student Field Director

WRB:nm

Attention You!!

PROTECT YOUR RIGHT

- TO HAVE VOICE IN YOUR GOVERNMENT
- TO SHARE EQUALLY THE BENEFITS OF THE TAXES YOU PAY
- TO LIVE WHERE YOU ARE ABLE TO BUY
- TO EARN A DECENT LIVING
- TO BE RESPECTED AS A CITIZEN IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE
- TO BE TREATED AS AMERICAN CITIZENS WITH HUMAN DIGNITY

REGISTER TO VOTE

JULY 5th - 6th - 7th and 8th, 1966

at the

COUNTY COURT HOUSE

NO TEST — NO RED TAPE

NAACP Voter Education

July 12, 1966

Farmers and Merchant Bank
Dublin, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $359.78 to be deposited to the account of the NAACP Voter Registration Drive. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Reuben L. Gamble

July 12, 1966

Mr. Reuben L. Gamble, President
Dublin-Laurens County
Branch, NAACP
P.O. Box 1033
Dublin, Georgia

Dear Mr. Gamble:

We still have not received the necessary deposit slips; however, we are fowarding our deposit to the Farmers and Merchant Bank.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Farmers and Merchant Bank, b) copy of deposit slip indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 13, 1966

FORM: Mr. Ruben L. Gamble, President
Dublin-Laurens County Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 1033
Dublin, Georgia

TO: Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

RE: Deposit Slips

Enclosed is a deposit slip for the Farmers & Merchant Bank.

In the struggle,

Ruben L. Gamble

Ruben L. Gamble

RLG/cm

FARMERS & MERCHANTS Bank
DUBLIN, GEORGIA

"YOUR HOME BANK"

WALLACE E. MILLER
CASHIER

July 13, 1966

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 201
5 Forsyth St., N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Gentlemen:

This will acknowledge receipt of your check in the amount of $359.78 for deposit to NAACP-Voter Registration Drive. We enclose our duplicate deposit slip for same along with a few bank by mail envelopes complete with deposit slips. Upon receipt of deposit from you we will mail you a receipt along with another envelope to be used for future deposits.

If we can serve you in any way please call on us.

Sincerely yours,

Wallace E. Miller

Wallace E. Miller
Cashier

WEM:ea
Enclosures

SINCE 1910

July 22, 1966

Mr. Wallace E. Miller
Cashier
Farmers and Merchants Bank
Dublin, Georgia

Dear Mr. Miller:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $272.00 to be deposited to the account of the NAACP Voter Registration Drive. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Ruben L. Gamble

July 22, 1966

Mr. Ruben L. Gamble, President
Dublin-Laurens County Branch, NAACP
P.O. Box 1033
Dublin, Georgia

Dear Mr. Gamble:

It has been called our attention that there is some misunderstanding taking place in your Project. The misunderstanding involves the amount that should be paid to Task Force Workers. For example, it has been reported to this office, that the Director is receiving $400.00 a week, while the Task Force Workers are receiving $15.00 per week. This clearly indicates to me that the person who saw our Grant-Letter did not read it all or did they understand that which they read. I share this with you for your own information. I would strongly suggest that your correspondence from this office be watched carefully.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

July 28, 1966

Farmers and Merchant Bank
Dublin, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $173.22 to be deposited to the account of the NAACP Voter Education Drive. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Ruben L. Gamble

July 28, 1966

Mr. Ruben L. Gamble, President
Dublin-Laurens County Branch, NAACP
Post Office Box 1033
Dublin, Georgia

Dear Mr. Gamble:

It was indeed a pleasure to meet you and the members of your staff on yesterday. I apologize for the circumstances under which we met; however, I am sure that this matter will be cleared-up immediately.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Farmers and Merchant Bank Dublin, Georgia.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

Agency **Dublin & Laurens County NAACP**

Grant Number **VEP 66-66**

Bank Reconciliation as of **July 29**, 19**66**

Bank **Farmers & Merchants** Account Number _____

1. Balance per Bank Statement _____
2. Add Deposits in Transit _____
3. Total (1 plus 2) _____
4. Deduct checks outstanding:

No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount
31	15.00				

Total Checks Outstanding - end of month **15.00**

5. Adjusted bank balance (3 minus 4) **178.34**
6. Balance per weekly Reports **5.55**
7. Difference between 5 and 6, if any **172.79**
8. Explanation of difference **.43**

Deposit of $173.22 not recorded on weekly

Prepared by _____

Laurens

Agency Dublin & Laurens County NAACP

Grant Number VEP 66-66

Bank Reconciliation as of July 29, 1966

Bank Farmers & Merchants Account Number

1. Balance per Bank Statement 193.34
2. Add Deposits in Transit -0-
3. Total (1 plus 2) 193.34
4. Deduct checks outstanding:

No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount
31	$15.00				

Reuben L. Gamble, Pres.
Dublin-Laurens County Board
P.O. Box 1033
Dublin, Ga.

Total Checks Outstanding - end of month 15.00

5. Adjusted bank balance (3 minus 4) 178.34
6. Balance per weekly Reports 5.55
7. Difference between 5 and 6, if any 172.79
8. Explanation of difference .43

Deposit of $173.22 not recorded on weekly

Prepared by Madelene Olive

OFFICE USE ONLY

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

WILEY A. BRANTON, Project Director

BUDGET REVISION: Dublin and Laurens County Branch, NAACP

VEP 66-66 Report due Monday of each week "'8 Week Program"

June 20 to August 12, 1966

Director @ $50. per week	$400.00	
Assistant Director @ $35 per week	280.00	
Tenephone Services	50.00	
Transportation	200.00	
Supplies	75.00	
Secretary @ $25. per week	200.00	
		$1205.00

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I'm SOMEBODY

I'm A Registered Voter

I Vote On Election Day

I'm An Active Member Of The NAACP

I'm SOMEBODY

It's Easy To Be SOMEBODY

Register and Vote

JOIN THE NAACP

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

EIGHT REASONS W

ACTIVELY SUPPORT THE NAACP'

"Thirty-five years ago the rate of unemployment for Negroes and whites was about the same. Today the Negro rate is twice as high.

"In 1948 the 8 per cent unemployment rate for Negro teenage boys was actually less than that of whites. By last year, it had grown to 23 per cent, as against 13 per cent for whites.

"Between 1949 and 1959, the income of Negro men relative to white men declined in every section of the country. From 1952 to 1963 the median income of Negro families compared to white actually dropped from 57 per cent to 53 per cent.

"In the years 1955-57, 22 per cent of experienced Negro workers were out of work at some time during the year. In 1961-63 that proportion had soared to 29 per cent.

IS WHY YOU SHOULD
AACP'S POLITICAL ACTION PROGRAM

"Since 1947 the number of white families living in poverty has decreased 27 per cent while the number of poor nonwhite families went down only 8 per cent.

"The infant mortality of nonwhites in 1940 was 70 per cent greater than whites. Twenty-two years later it was 90 per cent greater.

"Moreover, the isolation of Negro from white communities is increasing, rather than diminishing as Negroes crowd into the central cities--becoming a city within a city.

"Of course Negro Americans as well as white Americans have shared in our rising national abundance. But the harsh fact of the matter is that in the battle for true equality too many are losing ground."

Excerpts: President L. B. Johnson's Commencement Address, Howard University, Washington, D. C. June 4, 1965.

HELP OTHERS TO Be SOMEBODY

If you are qualified to vote and if you are also a member of the NAACP, help others in your community to become qualified voters and members of the NAACP:

Your family,

your friends,

members of your Church

and members of your civic,

social and fraternal

organizations.

Work To Make Everybody SOMEBODY

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT
1630 NORTH 4TH AVENUE
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

PHONE: 322-0708

CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION COMMISSION
Post Office Box 179
Fort Valley, Georgia

April 9, 1966

RECEIVED
APR 11 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Citizenship Education Commission of Peach County, Georgia asks the Southern Regional Council to kindly consider financing the proposed project submitted herewith for voter education and registration in the city of Fort Valley, Georgia.

This proposal was worked up by the executive committee of the Citizenship Education Commission with the assistance of Mr. Bullock who is on the SCLC staff in Macon.

CEC is an active organization functioning in voter registration and education whose primary objective is to bring about a greater and more positive participation of all Peach County citizens in a Democratic Society. We have approximately 140 active members, and membership is steadily increasing.

This project, as indicated above, sets forth plans to do a rather intensified program in the city of Fort Valley. Subsequent plans include programs to reach all Negro communities in the county.

We have not as yet finalized our thinking as to a director for the proposed project. However, several capable persons are now being considered and if need be, we can submit a biographical sketch of the individual to be selected for this position at an early date. We would welcome the opportunity to answer any questions pertaining to the proposal and a representative can arrange to come to Atlanta for this purpose if necessary.

Your consideration of this proposal will be most highly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Houston Stallworth

Houston Stallworth, Chairman

HS:aej

The C___E___C___ of Peach County, Georgia submits the following proposal for a Voter Education Project:

The area to be served by this grant is the county seat of Fort Valley and the immediate vicinity.

The grant requested will be extremely helpful in voter registration, citizenship education and community organization.

The objectives of the program component are outlined as follows:

Voter Registration

During the last two years CEC conducted two voter registration drives which resulted in the addition of almost 1000 Negroes to the registered voters list of the county. The last drive was conducted during the summer of 1965 with the cooperation of a S C O P E Chapter from the University of Minnesota. This drive lasted eight weeks and produced more than 450 new registered voters. There are however, an estimated 2100 Negroes remaining in the Fort Valley vicinity who are not registered. To register the remaining persons it is proposed that a Voter Education Project Grant be established. With the funds made available by this grant the CEC organization would set up a registration task force.

The task force would canvas the area in depth and speak to all the unregistered people. Through explanation and persuasion it is anticipated that many of the unregistered will agree to register. In addition to the canvas the task force will seek to enlist the cooperation of all the local churches, civic and social organizations. Efforts will be extended to organize minor drives within these organizations to obtain 100 percent registration among their members. Registration efforts will be undertaken among the rest of the community through block parties. These parties will be held at one person's house in the various neighborhoods and the rest of the people will be invited over to listen to political action speeches and re-

quests to register to effect improvements in their own neighborhood. Questions will be encourgaged after the speeches to get people thinking and talking about the issues. Workers will circulate among those attending to arrange appointments for those present who desire to register.

Extensive advertising will also be utilized to help keep registration before the minds of everyone in the community. It is expected that the activity made possible by the grant will result in virtually 100 percent registration in Fort Valley and the immediate vicinity.

Citizenship Education

Voter registration campaigns in the past have been successful in registering many people. Without citizenship education, however, these people have not been informed enough of the meaning of the vote. As a result many have not exercised the voting right when election times came around. To prevent this an extensive program of citizenship education is proposed as part of the Voter Education Project. The citizenship education program will include the block parties outlined in the previous section of the proposal as well as large scale workshops to be held on a community-by-community basis and the publication and distribution of simple citizenship pamphlets.

The community workshops will be meetings of one or two evenings duration. In these workshops the political structure of the nation, state, county and city will be explained. Particular emphasis will be placed on the elected officials and the duties and responsibilities of those officials. After presenting the political structure, the group will divide into smaller workshop groups to discuss community problems and relate them to the political structure.

Out of these practical discussions the people will obtain a new per-

spective of politics and the community. Voting will not be neglected by those who have obtained this degree of political awareness. The third approach to citizenship education will be the publication and distribution of several pamphlets. It is proposed that short simple easy to read "How to Vote" pamphlets be compiled. This will be in the form of cartoonized characters illustrating the principle occurances as a person goe through the actual mechanics of voting. Such a pamphlet will greatly relieve the anxiety that first time voting brings about. This type of presentation should be especially helpful to the illiterate voter since cartoon characters remain in one's memory better than formalized word instruction. Additional publications anticipated in this project are illustrated "register-vote" handbills and cartoonized explanations of the political structure of our society.

Community Organization

To really be effective political action must include extensive gross roots community organization. Only within the framework of such organization can be the sustained political action necessary for real community progress be realized. It is proposed, therefore, that the areas be organized on three levels. The first level will be the Countywide organization known as C____ E___ C_____. This organization will serve as an executive committee for the various communities within the county. This executive committee will provide unified agreement on priorities of various community issues. The C__ E__ C__ will be made up of members from the various community organizations. The second level of organization will be the neighborhood organizations established along logical community divisions. These local organizations will be the ones most responsive to the people. They will form the collective voice of the communities thereby giving weight to the communities and their problems. The third level of organization will be the volunteer block members. These people will be responsible to relate the local organi-

zation to the remainder of the community. They will serve to disseminate information to their neighbors on the block and to bring back their neighbors grievances to the local organization. They will also serve to further voter registration on their block and to help get out the vote at election time. This threefold organization will provide a very effective voice in the separate communities and the entire county.

2.0 LOCATION AND DURATION

The project proposed would be located in and around the city of Fort Valley, Georgia. Fort Valley is the county seat of Peach County in the middle Georgia area, about 24 miles south of the city of Macon. The city is the site of Fort Valley State College. This is a predominatly Negro college in the Georgia University System. As its name implies, Peach County is noted as a peach farming area. With the exception of some industry in Fort Valley the county is largely agricultural in character.

The city is divided roughly into eight Negro communities. They are known as Gano, Carver Drive, Fagan Circle, Tabor Heights, Albany Railroad, Griffin Line, Vineville and High School. A map showing the boundaries of these communities is included with the proposal. The project is proposed for a duration of eight weeks. It is estimated that the task of motivation, registration, education an organization will require this time span.

The Fort Valley area is in most respects quite typical of central and south Georgia. While overt acts by public officials to forestall registration by Negroes is not apparent, the more subtle forms of intimidation have been reported. Domestics and similar types of Negro employees are urged or warned not to bother with "that voting". Old age pensioners are said to be afraid of having their welfare checks cut off. There is a strong determination on the part of the power structure to (a) retain as much of the "old order" as possible, yielding only as a last resort, and, (b) avoid any

major confrontation with groups urging change which may result in adverse publicity for the area.

For their part the Negroes have not had the advantage of a dedicated person who can and will give continuous honest leadership in the interest of full citizenship. Fear grips many "professionals" and apathy or personal greed seems to keep others from a meaningful involvement in community improvement. There is a deep seated desire to change things among some of the younger Negroes and a few of the olders ones.

Two Negroes ran for public office in 1964 and one missed being elected by sixteen votes.

Persons may register daily at the tax collector's office from Monday through noon on Saturdays.

3.0 PERSONEL

The personel required to effect this proposed program are a director, six staff workers and two staff associates. The various ditues of the staff members are outlines as follows:

The director is to be responsible for seeing that the entire program is carried out as proposed. He will be responsible for obtaining the staff and for managing the rest of the personnel. The six staff workers will each be responsible for the operation of one of the program objectives under the leadership of the director. One worker will be in charge of the office work necessary for the project. One of the workers will be responsible for the voter registration campaign. A third worker will be responsible for the citizenship education objective of the project. The fourth worker will be responsible for working with the existing organizations. The sixth worker will be responsible for the project research activity. All of the staff will contribute in all areas of the program. Each will have his own area of responsibility as outlines above.

The two staff associates will not be regular staff workers. They will be persons of special talent called upon to help compile the education publications presented in the "Citizenship Education" section of this proposal. One of the associates will be an artist called upon to help with the illustrations. The second will be of some literary talent to aid in the actual writing of the pamphlets. Where advisable members of the college staff or student body will be asked to serve in the publication activity.

4.0 BUDGET

The budget for this proposal is outlined as follows:

STAFF		
Director (1)	$55.00 wk.	$440.00
Field Workers (6)	$12.50 wk. each	$600.00
Staff Associates (2)	$50.00 wk. each	$100.00
		$1140.00
OFFICE		
Rent (utilities included)	$15.00 mo.	$30.00
Telephone	$15.00 mo.	$30.00
Typewriter rental	$10.00 mo.	$20.00
Supplies (paper etc.)	$75.00 mo.	$150.00
		$230.00
TRANSPORTATION		
Staff car rental	$25.00 wk.	$100.00
Gas and oil	$65.00 mo.	$125.00
Minor repairs (vol. cars)	$35.00 mo.	$ 70.00
		$295.00
ADVERTISING		
Radio Announcements	$2.00 ea.	$100.00
Special Printing		$100.00
		$200.00
ENTERTAINMENT		
Refreshment for block parties		$100.00
	TOTAL BUDGET	$1965.00

TO
VEP-61

June 8, 1966

Mr. Houston Stallworth
Chairman
Citizenship Education Commission
P. O. Box 179
Fort Valley, Georgia

Dear Mr. Stallworth:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Citizenship Education Commission for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Fort Valley, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a six week program to run from June 13 to July 22, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's salary	$ 300.00
6 Task Force Workers @ $12.50 per week	450.00
Office Rent	40.00
Telephone	30.00
Transportation	125.00
Office Supplies	65.00
	$1,000.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips, and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due on Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully, and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, private citizens, e) threats of intimidation, or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

June 21, 1966

Mr. Houston Stallworth, Chairman
Citizenship Education Commission
P.O. Box 179
Fort Valley, Georgia

RE: VEP 6-61

Dear Mr. Stallworth:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program began June 13, we will need reports from you on June 27, July 11, and July 25.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you on July 27, after your program has been completed. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any

obstacles encountered, either from within your program or from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or of importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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Citizenship Education Commission
P. O. Box 179
Fort Valley, Georgia
June 28, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive, Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project
Southern Reguonal Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

Please find enclosed a copy of the signature card for C.E.C. Voter Registration Project bank account, and an ample supply of deposit slips with envelopes. The name of the bank and the address follows:

The Citizens Bank
315 North Macon Street
Fort Valley, Georgia 31030

We shall appreciate it very much if you inform us of each deposit. As the signature card indicates, Houston Stallworth will sign all checks.

Our indebtness for the period ending June 27, 1966 is itemized as follows:

Director	$ 100.00
Task Force Workers (6).	150.00
Office Rent	13.33
Transportation	10.00
Office Supplies	19.08
	$ 292.41

Since our account does not have enough money in it to take care of the above expenditures, they will be paid once VEP has made a deposit for our project.

At the end of our six week program, we assure you that VEP's review will show that our effort was a success

Respectfully submitted,

Donnie D. Bellamy

Enclosures

Donnie D. Bellamy

July 1, 1966

The Citizens Bank
Fort Valley, Georgia 31030

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $400.00 to be deposited to the account of the Citizenship Education Commission of Fort Valley, Georgia.

Also enclosed is a deposit bank.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

cc: Mr. Houston Stallworth

July 1, 1966

Mr. Houston Stallworth
Chairman
Citizenship Education Commission
P. O. Box 179
Fort Valley, Georgia

Dear Mr. Stallworth:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Citizens Bank indicating deposit made, and b) Weekly Report Forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administratige Assistant

TO:nm
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JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
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PAUL ANTHONY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Southern R[illegible] Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W[illegible] 30303

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

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Dear Sir:

I am interested in several problems as relate to voter registration and the Voter Education Project.

Firstly, what is going well in your project, and what techniques are most effective in registration? The VEP needs this information to advise other groups just starting their projects.

Secondly, how many students do you have working, if any, and what kind of job have they done?

Thirdly, concerning newly registered voters, do you conduct any sort of voter education after registration? Do you think such education is necessary? How do the newly registered voters fit into the political picture in your county?

Finally, what are the most difficult problems you have faced in your work, and what suggestions do you have for the future?

I plan to visit your project some time next week, to discuss this with you and as many field workers as you think necessary. If possible, I would like to spend some time out in the field with your workers, and more important, talking to the people who are being registered.

I look forward to meeting you.

Yours,

William R. Beardslee
Student Field Director

WRB:nm

July 8, 1966

Mr. Houston Stallworth
Chairman
Citizenship Education Commission
P. O., Box 179
Fort Valley, Georgia

Dear Mr. Stallworth:

Enclosed are the following: a) Copy of our letter of transmittal, and b) Weekly Report Forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

July 8, 1966

The Citizens Bank
815 North Macon Street
Fort Valley, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $300.00 to be deposited to the account of the Citizenship Education Commission, Fort Valley, Georgia.

Also enclosed are deposit slips.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

July 14, 1966

Mr. Houston Stallworth
Chairman
Citizenship Education Commission
P.O. Box 179
Forth Valley, Georgia

Dear Mr. Stallworth:

Enclosed is a copy of your bank statement for the period prior to our funding of your program.

Hoping to hear from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

Citizenship Education Commission
Post Office Box 179
Fort Valley, Georgia
July 18, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive, Adm. Ass't.
Voter Registration Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W .
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

In Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.'s letter of 8 June 1966 to Mr. Houston Stallworth, he informed us that our program had been approved in the amount of $1,000.00 for a six week program. We were further informed that the amount granted was to cover the following:

Director's salary	$ 300. 00
6 Task Force Workers @ $12.50 per week	450. 00
Office Rent	40.00
Telephone	30. 00
Transportation	125. 00
Office Supplies	65. 00

The total according to his figures came to $ 1,000. 00 but I have checked the figures and got a total of $ 1,010. 00.

Please advise us regarding the mistake in addition.

Sincerely yours,

Donnie Bellamy

Donnie Bellamy, Director,
C.E.C. Voter Registration Project

Enclosure

July 22, 1966

The Citizens Bank
Fort Valley, Georgia 31030

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $300.00 to be deposited to the account of the Citizenship Education Commission. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Houston Stallworth

July 22, 1966

Mr. Houston Stallworth
Chairman
Citizenship Education Commission
P.O. Box 179
Fort Valley, Georgia

Dear Mr. Stallworth:

This is to acknowledge receipt of the letter from Mr. Bellamy, requestion an explanation of the exact amount of your grant. The amount of the Grant is for $1000,00. Thank you for call this to my attention.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

Wiley A. Branton, Project Director

BUDGET REVISION Citizens Education Commission

VEP 66-61 Report due Monday

6 Weeks June 13 to July 22, 1966

Director @ $50 per week	$300.00	
(6) Task Force Workers @ $12.50 per week	450.00	
Office Rent	30.00	
Telephone	30.00	
Transportation	125.00	
Office Supplies	~~75.00~~ 65.00	
		1000.00

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Citizenship Education Commission
Post Office Box 179
Fort Valley, Georgia 31030

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Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Attention: Mr. Thaddeus Olive

Dear Mr. Olive:

As a consequence of our telephone conversation this morning, I am restating here the circumstances relative to the registration of Negroes in Peach County with the hope that on the basis of the facts presented the Southern Regional Council will favorably consider the supplementary grant which will cover the period from August 1 - September 10.

The citizens of Peach County who make up the more than 2000 persons who are not registered are for the most part Negroes who depend largely upon from 4-6 weeks of seasonal employment in peaches for a livelihood. Work for these citizens consist of harvesting, packing, and canning peaches. As pointed out by Mr. Bellamy, our field director, the period of our grant from the Southern Regional Council coincided with a very abundant peach harvest this year. People were working both day and night in many instances and the hours were long and odd to say the least. This made contact with these workers most difficult and registration was very slow even though we were successful in getting a deputy registrar appointed before the termination of the project.

The peach season in Fort Valley will be over by August 1 and we will not be beset by these difficultues in our registration efforts.

CEC therefore submits the following budget proposal to Southern Regional Council to cover a six-week period beginning August 1:

2 Co-Directors @ $25/week	$300.00
2 Task Force Workers @ 12.50/wk.	150.00
Transportation @ $50/week	300.00
Office Rent	40.00
Office Supplies	25.00
TOTAL	$815.00

The persons which CEC would employ as Co-Directors worked with us in the project just completed as Task Force Workers and in previous endeavors and are uniquely adapted to getting people to register. They of course would be assisted by some unpaid volunteers.

CEC is most grateful to Director Jordan and you for making the original project possible and trust that you will find it possible to make the supplementary grant as we feel that much good can come from this second effort.

Very truly yours,

Houston Stallworth
President

August 2, 1966

Mr. Houston Stallworth
President
Citizenship Education Commission
Post Office, Box 179
Fort Valley, Georgia 31030

Dear Mr. Stallworth:

In response to your letter to Mr. Olive, requesting a supplementary grant to do citizenship education, we regret to inform you that we are unable to grant you supplementary funds at this time. We appreciate your program as relates to the unavailability of people during the height of the peach harvest, and the present availability now that the harvest is ended. Limited funds, however, suggest that before we make any supplementary grants, we fund communities who have not had the benefit of VEP funds at all.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

TO
UEP-13

March 24, 1966

The Reverend J. N. Shopshire
President
Griffin Branch, NAACP
Heck Chapel Methodist Church
202 East Broad Street
Griffin, Georgia

Dear Mr. Shopshire:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Griffin Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Griffin and Spalding County, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,047.50 for a six week period to run from April 4 to May 9, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary	@ $50.00 per week	$ 250.00
b)	Task Force Workers (5)	@ $15.00 " "	450.00
c)	Office Rent		38.50
d)	Telephone		20.00
e)	Supplies		25.00
f)	Postage		15.00
g)	Transportation		200.00
h)	Publicity		50.00

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These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Mrs. Barbara Patterson, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

TWENTY WEST FORTIETH STREET • NEW YORK, N. Y. 10018 • BRyant 9-1400

Please direct reply to:
W. C. Patton, Associate Director
Registration & Voting
23[redacted]
Memphis 8, Tennessee
[redacted]

1630 NORTH FOURTH AVENUE
ROOM 407
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
PHONE 322-0708

March 7, 1966

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Mr. Vernon Jordon, Director
Voter Education Project
#5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordon:

I am herewith submitting a proposal and a request for funds to operate an eight weeks Voter Registration and Citizenship Training Program for Griffin and Spalding County, Georgia.

I hope that we can have an early approval by your office.

With warmest regards, I remain,

Yours truly,

W. C. Patton

W. C. Patton

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Enclosure

Approved
March 7, 1966
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THE GRIFFIN BRANCH OF THE NAACP
NAACP VOTER REGISTRATION
AND VOTER EDUCATION
DRIVE FOR GRIFFIN
AND SPALDING CO.

Spalding County is in the South Central portion of Georgia It is a predominately rural county with a total population of 31,000, of this number 11,000 are Negroes, 5,000 are 18 years and older.

In the past decade, up until this past summer of 1965, there was practically no organized effort to increase the voting strength among Negroes. While the voting strength among white is 10,052, yet there are only 2,479 Negroes registered. All of the political offices are filled and controlled by the white community. It would have been useless at any rate for a Negro to have campaigned for election because of the qualifed Negro voters. It would have been impossible for a Negro here to have polled 33 percent of the white voters, which would have been necessary along with all the Negro voters to have been elected. Even though there have been no resistant to Negro registration, there was also no organized effort before the summer of 1965 to get Negroes to register.

In an organized effort by the local Branch of the NAACP in Griffin, our voting strength was increased.

We plan a two prong program, Voters Registration and Citizenship Education. The Citizenship Education would be due mainly to the large drop-out in the county. ?

Our goals for registration is 2,000, but our goal for Citizenship Education would be to touch every adult citizen and make him knowledgeable of the importance of their votes for city, county and federal government.

We propose to do a house to house convass in the area of voter registration providing transportation for those who may need it.

In the area of citizenship education, we propose to arrange evening classes in most of the communities of the county with large concentration of Negroes. How? Who? With what?

Spalding County is composed of six precincts, in five of these, there is a large concentration of Negroes. How many?

As has been previously stated, we have no Negroes in any political position either of election or appointment.

While this program will be under auspice of the NAACP, there are two other civic groups in the city of Griffin, only

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active at pacific times.

We propose to do an eight week campaign with headquarters in the city of Griffin, only through a special campaign committee composed of a cross representation of the county.

Our opinion is that the total cost will estimate between $2,000 to $2,000 (please note budget and list of committee personnel).

Normally the books are open two days a week (Tuesday and Saturday) from 9 to 12 o'clock, but we have the promise that they will be open six days a week if we could get the people down to keep them busy.

We sincerely hope that our proposal will meet your approval and that our request will be granted. We pledge to abide by the rules and regulations under the grant.

Yours truly,

J.N. Shopshire

J.N. Shopshire, President
of the Griffin Branch of
the NAACP

PERSONNEL LIST

Director.....Mr. Joseph Mullins
724 E. Slaton St.
Griffin, Georgia
Phone-228 2700

Office Secretary.....Miss Juanita Lyons
403 East Tinsley
Griffin, Georgia
Phone-227 4926

Treasurer.....Mr. Raymond Head Jr.
438 N. 4th St.
Griffin, Georgia
Phone-227 2839

Voter Registration Committee
and Education Committee

Chairman.....Miss Jean Reid

Co-Chairman.....Miss Delores Lyons

Secretary.....Miss Mary Ann Lyons

Youth Committee

Chairman.....Miss Verdella Reid
224 Bourbon St.
Griffin, Georgia

BUDGET

BUDGET FOR NAACP VOTER REGISTRATION

Professional Worker	$720.00
Clerical Help	200;00
Transportation	500.00
Office Rent	50.00
Telephone	55.00
Publicity	90.00
Office Supplies	75.00
Hand Bill	20.00
Postage	25.00
Miscellaneous	150.00
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ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

XXXXXXXXXXX Wiley A. Branton, Project Director

The Griffin Branch, NAACP
Budget Revision 6 week program subject to review

April 4 - May 9, 1966

Director @ $50. per week	$250.00	
(5) Task Force Workers @ $15. per week	450.00	
Office Rent	37.50	
Telephone	20.00	
Supplies	25.00	
Postage	15.00	
Transportation	200.00	
Publicity	50.00	
		$1,047.50

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XXXXXXXXXXX Wiley A. Branton, Project Director

March 18, 1966

VEP 66-13

The Griffin Branch NAACP
Budget Revision 6 week program subject to review
April 4 - May 9, 1966

Director @ $50. per week		$250.00
Sp Sectrtary @ $35. per week		210.00
Office Rent		37.50
Telephone		20.00
Supplies	5 Field Walker	35.00 – 85
Postage		15.00
Transportation	15.00	325.00 – 200.00
Publicity		50.00
		$942.50

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Write him and inquire as to when the registrar's office is open and why he refused this request

202 East Broad Street
Griffin, Georgia
March 30, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordon
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordon:

Thank you for the grant for a Voter Education Registration Drive. I do trust that we will do a creditable job here in Griffin and Spalding County.

I asked the Registrar to open his office one or two days a week, from 5 until 7:00 p.m. This request was refused. I will keep you informed as to how we come out with this problem or any other.

I have opened the account with the Commercial Bank and Trust Company, and you will find enclosed the signature card and deposit slips.

Sincerely yours,
J.N. Shopshire
J.N. Shopshire

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March 30, 1966

The Reverend J.N. Shropshire
President
Griffin Branch, NAACP
Heck Chapel Methodist Church
202 East Broad Street
Griffin, Georgia

Dear Mr. Shropshire:

With the very obvious success of your grant approval still reverberating, I am sure that mundane matters such as fiscal reporting is far from your mind at the moment. However, in order that your program may begin on April 4, 1966, we will need the signature cards, name and address of the bank, and a supply of deposit slips.

May we have these, at your earliest convenience, so that the funding of your program can begin.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo

March 31, 1966

The Reverend H. N. Shopshire
Minister
Heck Chapel Methodist Church
202 Broad Street
Griffin, Georgia

Dear Mr. Shopshire:

We are enclosing the following: a) cash voucher forms; b) deposit slip for the first two weeks allotment from your VEP grant; c) a copy of our letter of transmittal to the Commercial Bank and Trust Company, Griffin; and d) weekly reporting forms for your weekly report, which due Wednesday of each week.

We wish for your program every success and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosures
(As stated above)

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JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
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Southern Regional Council, Inc.

5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
JAckson 2-8764

March 31, 1966

The Commercial Bank
and Trust Company
Griffin, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith is our check in the amount of $350.00, which is to be deposited to the account of Griffin Branch, NAACP Voter Registration Campaign, Griffin, Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosure

cc: Rev. J. N. Shorshire

April 14, 1966

The Reverend J. N. Shopshire
President
Griffin Branch, NAACP
Heck Chapel Methodist Church
202 East Broad Street
Griffin, Georgia

RE: VEP 6-13

Dear Mr. Shopshire:

In his letter to you of March 24, 1966 Vernon Jordan mentioned the research reports the Voter Education Project will require of the Griffin Branch, NAACP, under the terms of your grant to conduct voter registration in Griffin and Spaulding County, April 4 through May 9, 1966.

I am enclosing with this letter a copy of the form which we wish you to fill in and return to us twice a month. Please do not send us forms filled out by several voter registration workers covering different times worked. Instead, we suggest that one of the project personnel collect from the workers their records of persons reached by canvass, taken to register, etc., and total them on a sheet to be sent to us. A supply of these forms is being sent to you under separate cover for use by workers in the field. It is of vital importance that the figures submitted to us be actual numerical count and not estimates.

Since your program was operative as of April 4, the first of these forms should be in our office as soon as conveniently possible, and thereafter these reports should be mailed to us on or about April 26 and May 10 for the conclusion of the program.

Covering the course of this six-week program we require a narrative report. This can be of whatever length you find suitable to tell VEP what the Griffin Branch, NAACP has been doing in voter registration and how it has been doing it. Organizations we have been associated with have found it helpful to think of this as an intelligence report familiarizing VEP with all phases of your campaign, its successes and its shortcomings. Coming at the end ofthe program, we hope you will use it in part as a self-evaluation. We expect also that you will send us samples of any printed materials used.
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We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Barbara Patterson
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

BP:hjo
Enclosure (1)

April 26, 1966

The Commercial Bank
and Trust Company
Griffin, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $274.23 to be deposited in the account of the Griffin Branch, NAACP Voter Education Campaign, Griffin, Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosure

April 26, 1966

The Reverend J. N. Shropshire
Minister
Heck Chapel Methodist Church
202 Broad Street
Griffin, Georgia

Dear Mr. Shropshire

Enclosed you will find the following:

a) Our letter the The Commercial Bank and Trust Company transmitting funds.

b) Copy of the deposit slip to the bank.

c) Weekly reporting forms.

We hope that your project is comming along well.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosures

May 11, 1966

The Reverend J. N. Shropshire
Minister
Heck Chapel Methodist Church
202 Broad Street
Griffin, Georgia

Dear Mr. Shropshire:

We are in receipt of your weekly reports for the weeks ending April 18-23. We are returning these along with a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. May I call your attention to the last sentence in "Item 10, page 2." It will be neccessary for you to separate each weeks activity on a separate Weekly Form.

May we have the corrected weekly reports at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosure

May 13, 1966

Mr. J. N. Shropshire
202 East Broad Street
Griffin, Georgia

Dear Mr. Shropshire:

Having replaced Mrs. Patterson as research director on Mayl, I note your letter of April 22 requesting more research forms. I am pleased to send you a supply under separate cover, asking that you use these in making future reports.

Best of luck in your campaign.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:hjo

May 16, 1966

The Reverend J. N. Shropshire
Minister
Heck Chapel Methodist Church
202 Broad Street
Griffin, Georgia

Dear Mr. Shropshire:

Enclosed are the following:

a) Copy of letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited in your account at the Commercial Bank and Trust Company, and
b) weekly report forms.

We wish you every success in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

TO/mmj
Enclosures

May 16, 1966

The Commercial Bank and Trust
Company
Griffin,
Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $222.50 to be deposited to the account of the Griffin Branch, NAACP Voter Registration Campaign. Also enclosed is a deposit slip indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

TO/mmj
Enclosures

May 18, 1966

The Reverend J. N. Shopshire
Minister
Heck Chapel Methodist Church
202 Broad Street
Griffin, Georgia

Dear Mr. Shopshire:

First let me congratulate you on your daughter winning such an award from Clark College. I know you must be very proud of her accomplishments.

It has been a pleasure and privilege to have your proposal in our files. We are aware of the substantial part you played in preparing this proposal, and wish to express our deep gratitude for your cooperation.

On Monday, May 23, I will be in Griffin to meet with Mr. Joseph Mullins, Director of your project, and am looking forward to a mutually pleasant and profitable day.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

TO:nm

cc: Mr. Joseph Mullins

202 East Broad
Griffin, Georgia
May 25, 1966

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MAY 27 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan:

We are closing our Voter Registration - Voter Education Drive this week. After a hard drive with many odds against us. In spite of these odds against us it has been very stimulating to match wits with Negroes who pretend to be leaders of their people and are in league against them to thwart the very source of strength that would prove the most powerful weapon in their hands.

Joseph Mullins is a very dishearted young man. He grew up in Griffin, went to Clark College and made a very good football player, and the community sang his praises. This same community has failed to support him in this drive.

Especially did he think Mr. A.C. Touchstone, Rev. O.H. Stinson, and Rev. A. M. Reeves were great leaders. Discovering that they aren't has sent Joseph Mullins to his knees, and he is almost bitter. So I am busy trying to show him that this is one of the freaks of life that will kill a man who lets it.

The Registrar did not cooperate despite the fact he promised to. On three occasions the task worker got to his office with 10 or 15 people at the time he was closing and he refused them.

He promised that any day that we could bring enough people in to keep them busy he would open the office. Last Wednesday we had 40 people who could not get off any other time, he was asked to open the office, his reply was to bring them Saturday from 9 to 12 o'clock.

Problems among Negroes:

1. One major problem is that of apathy
2. Fear of losing jobs, especially the rural Negro
3. Fear of having to pay taxes, or as they put it "a heap of tax"
4. "We got along all right with our good white people until Shopshire come here"
5. As Mr Touchstone is quoted by Mullins,"These are good white and we never had any trouble until Rev. Shopshire came here and tore up our good community."
6. Rev. Stinson is quoted as saying no one here likes Rev. Shopshire and they are not going to follow him.

It is interesting to note that they follow me much better than any other Negro in the county.

I ask the Negro leaders of the Civic Improvement and the Citizen Improvement League to join me in conducting the Voter's Registration Drive. The leader of the Civic League, A.C. Touchstone called a meeting and invited me. His meeting was supposed to have been a Republican Meeting with a doctor out of Atlanta as speaker.

Before the doctor arrived he approached me and said "We can say something about the Voter Registration while we have these people here." I agreed. As soon as it was mentioned Rev. O.H. Stinson, Citizen League President, suggested that a Voter's League be organized, and that the drive be conducted under the League, and that everybody work as a Voter's League and forget the organizations. It was then that I knew that these two men and Rev. A.M. Reeves had met and planned this strategy. I agreed that a Voter's League would be a good movement and that I would cooperate with them.

I then made it clear that the N.A.A.C.P. Branch would go ahead with the Voter Registration Drive as planned.

They then wanted to know who would control the money, after electing Mr. Touchstone treasurer of their League. I informed them that S. R. C. through the Griffin Branch of the N.A.A.C.P. This ended their cooperation despite the fact that they promised.

The white community used the "old pattern of segregation," the power of suggestion: "You know the 'nigger' have always registered here." "Have you ever had any trouble registering or voting?" "We always treat you right," "You don't have to register and vote unless you want to cause we are going to do what is right by you." "The relationship between the 'niggers' and white people is good in Griffin and Spalding County and we intend to keep it that way." I can assure you that it is well accommodated.

I have the invitation from President Johnson and I am planning to go. The Griffin Radio and Newspaper carried it all day yesterday. The Radio station called me a Griffinite.

Under separate cover I am mailing a list of people registered. I will mail the check book and all receipts after we have paid all obligations.

I hope the final check will be mailed as early as possible.

Please let me express my thanks and deep gratitude to you for everything.

Yours in Christ Jesus,

J. N. Shopshire

J. N. Shopshire

202 East Broad Street
Griffin, Georgia 30223
June 12, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan:

I mailed in a report to your office just before going to Washington. At that time I indicated that we were completing the work during that week and asked that the final amount of money be mailed. The grant was for $1047. I have conducted a drive up to this amount and lack the difference (in the amount of $200.27) of being able to take care of the obligations. I will appreciate having this final amount mailed to me if possible by Wednesday since I plan to move on this date.

Sincerely yours,

J. N. Shopshire, jr

Reverend J. N. Shopshire

JNS:aps

June 13, 1966

The Reverend J. N. Shropshire
Minister
Heck Methodist Church (Chapel)
202 Broad Street
Griffin, Georgia

Dear Mr. Shropshire:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited to your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reportings.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

June 13, 1966

The Commercial Bank and Trust Company
Griffin, Georgia

Gentlemen:

The amount of the check is $200.77 to be deposited to the account of the Griffin Branch, NAACP Voter Registration Campaign. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: The Reverend Shropshire

COMMERCIAL BANK & TRUST COMPANY

GRIFFIN, GEORGIA

January 9, 1970

Mrs. Marily Adamson
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mrs. Adamson:

Normally we would need the signature of the local treasurer for withdrawal of the balance in the Voter Registration Campaign account, but based upon the statements in your letter of January 7, we are enclosing a cashier's check payable to the Southern Regional Council, Inc. for $45.68 to close the account.

Very truly yours,

C. T. Parker
President

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Enclosure

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VEP 66-13

January 7, 1970

Commercial Bank & Trust Company
P.O. Box 114
Griffin, Georgia 30223

Gentlemen:

The Griffin Branch NAACP Voter Registration Campaign, Account Number 014-084, is no longer an active account. The Southern Regional Council has provided funds for that account and would like to withdraw the remaining funds at this time. Regrettably we are no longer able to contact the members of the Project whose names are on the signature card.

We would appreciate it if you would close the account by returning the remaining $45.68 by a check made out to the Southern Regional Council at the above address, or contact me to explain how the funds may be withdrawn.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Marilyn Adamson
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

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Rte. 1, Box 6-D
Sparta, Georgia
March 22,1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Sir:

Please find enclose a copy of our proposal. We appreciate your consideration in this matter.

Thank you.

Respectfully yours,
James E. Mc Mullen
James E. Mc Mullen

The Hancock County Democratic Club request a grant from the Southern Regional Council Inc., to aid this county in three areas of civic development.

1. Voter Registration
2. Citizenship Education
3. Leadership Training

In order to accomplish this objective a staff is needed to assemble and coordinate all activity with all organizations, seeking as many volunteers as possible. In addition to canvassing the area to obtain the maximum possible voter registration, the staff will seek leaders, provide for needed training, organize wards an precinct workers. This is needed to get out the vote in the coming election.

We propose to organize Hancock County into five areas of voter registration activity. This include from 101 to 118 precincts. Folling the completion of the drive in one community, the staff is expected to move off to aonother community. By working in this manner it is expected that the various communities will be as nearly organized and registered as possible by this fall.

Our present organization began in late Oct. 1965, for the purpose of increasing our voter registration. At this time we had only 875 Negroes registered. To-day we have approxmately 2300. The white Citizens have 1500.

This project has succeeded so far because of good leadership, honest and devoted officials of the club.

When Negro Citizens became educated of how present elected officials

have blocked and gave us the run-around on all proposed poverty programs this contributed to our drive. The negative views of the County Board of Education concerning many grivences, also contributed.

The kind of program we have followed as of now, weekly meetings, every Thursday Night. The meeting are held in different communities weekly.

The political pattern of Hancock County is conventional. No Negroes hold any appointive or elective positions. None ever ran for office. Three will probably run this year. One for the post of county commissioner, and two for the Board of Education.

As of now we haven't had any trouble in getting people registered. The registration office is open all week except on Thursday evening. This include Saturday.

BUDGET REQUEST

	month	year
Rent	$50.00	$300.00
Gas	10.00	60.00
Water	10.00	60.00
Lights	15.00	90.00
		$510.00
Rentals		
Mimiograph	$12.00	$72.00
Typewriter	7.00	42.00
Record Materials	50.00	300.00
		$414.00
Personells	**Week**	
Director	$100.00	$240.00
Ass. Director	50.00	120.00
Parttime workers	(12) 35.00	252.00
		$612.00

TOTAL BUDGET $7.004.00

Route 1, Box 6-D
Sparta, Georgia
April 11, 1966

Mr. Vernor E. Jordan, Jr.
Director Voter Educational Project
Southern Regional Council Inc.
5 Forsyth Street N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

Please inform me if you have receive our request for a grant, mentioned previously.

Thanks for your consideration.

Respectfully yours,

James E. McMullen

James E. McMullen

Hancock
Civic Club

April 15, 1966

Mr. James E. McMullen
President
Hancock County Democratic Club
Route 1, Box 6-D
Sparta, Georgia

Dear Mr. McMullen:

In response to your letter of April 11, please be informed that we have received a proposal from the Hahcock County Democratic Club requesting a grant from the Voter Education Project.

We are extremely interested in fuding your project. We need answers to the following questions at your earliest convenience.

(1) Does the Hancock County Democratic Club endorse political candidates?

(2) Is your organization affiliated directly with the Democratic Party?

(3) Is your organization a non-partisan, non-political organization for Negroes in Hancock County?

We pose these questions because if the Hancock County Democratic Club is purely a political and

partisan organization, we would have some problem funding it because of our tax exempt status and the nature of your political activities.

If, on the other hand, there is another organization in the community interested in voter registration, citizenship education, leadership training, it may be that we should fund that organization rather than the Hancock County Democratic Club. I think you understand our problem.

If you have any questions as to how we can solve this problem of the political nature of the Hancock County Democratic Club, assuming that to be the situation, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/mmj

TO
VEP-59

June 8, 1966

Mr. James E. McMullen
President
Hancock County Democratic Club
Route 1, Box 6-D
Sparta, Geprgia

Dear Mr. McMullen:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Hancock County Democratic Club for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Sparta, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $905.00 for a six week program to run from June 6 to July 15, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary @ $35.00 per week	$ 210.00
b)	(4) Task Force Workers (@ $15.00 per week)	360.00
c)	Transportation	200.00
d)	Office Supplies	60.00
e)	Rent	75.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully, and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

June 23, 1966

Mr. James E. McMullen
President
Hancock County Democratic Club
Route 1, Box 6-D
Sparta, Georgia

Dear Mr. McMullen:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contracted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and <u>not by estimate</u>.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program began June 6, we will need reports from you on June 20, July 4, and July 18.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you on July 20, after your program has been completed. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or

from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

June 27, 1966

Mr. James E. McMullen
President
Hancock County Democratic Club
Route 1 Box 6-D
Sparta, Georgia

Dear Mr. McMullen:

On June 8, Vernon Jordan, Director of the Voter Education Project, wrote you concerning your request for funds to conduct voter registration in Sparta, Georgia.

We need the name and address of your bank, along with the necessary signature cards and deposit slips so that we can foward the money to the bank. May we have these at your earliest possible convenience, because the deadline for registration in Georgia is July 26.

May we hear from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

Rte. 1, Bo x 6-D
Sparta, Georgia
June 29,1966

Mr. Thaddeus Oliver
Admi nistrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Oliver:

Thank you very much for your decision to help us in voter registration here in Hancock County, Sparta, Georgia.

Please find enclosed the information desired. Thank you.

Respectfully yours,
James E. Mc Mullen

July 11, 1966

Mr. James E. McMullen
President
Hancock County Democratic Club
Route 1, Box 6-D
Sparta, Georgia

Dear Mr. McMullen:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Bank of Hancock County Sparta, Georgia, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 11, 1966

Bank of Hancock County
Sparta, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $300.00 to be deposited to the account of the Citizen Democratic Club. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. James E. McMullen

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

Wiley A. Branton, Project Director

BEDGET REVISION Hancock Civic Club

VEP 66-59 Report due Thursday

6 Weeks June 6 to july 15, 1966

Director @ $35 per week	$210.00
(4) Task Force Workers @ $15 per	360.00
Transportation	~~100.00~~ 200 - 100
Office Supplies	60.00
Rent	75.00
	805.00
	$905.00

Route 1, Box 6-D
Sparta, Georgia
August 1, 1966

Miss Patricia Collins
Research Consultant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss Collins:

Please express our thanks to Mr. Vernon Jordon and his staff for the $300.00 donation to our Civic Club.

We will follow through with reports.

Respectfully yours,

James E. McMullen

James E. McMullen

Route 1, Box 6-D
Sparta, Georgia
August 9, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Oliver
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

Please find report covering period July 4 through July 18,1966.

Thank you.

Respectfully yours,

James E. McMullen

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SEP 12 1966

Route 1, Box 6-D
Sparta, Georgia
September 9, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistance
Southern Regional Councils Inc.
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed our reports. We hope it will bring our records up to date.

In relation to our financial report, the listed services and supplies were paid for by club checks. The treasurer didn't number his checks. He has been instructed to begin. His records are available for inspection anytime.

Respectfully yours,

James E. McMullen

James E. McMullen

EXPENSE ACCOUNT

Registration

James Simmons	$ 5.76 June 9
James Simmons	20.00 July 7
James Simmons	10.00 July 11
Chamblee Service Station	30.00 July 11
W. J. Simmons	23.00 July 18

Supplies

Milledgeville Printing Company	$79.00 July 10
Sparta Ishmaelite	19.00 July 25

Secretary

Louise Edwards (5 wks.)	$125.00
Total	$311.72

Deficit $11.72

September 19, 1966

Mr. James E. McMullen
President
Hancock County Democratic Club
Route 1, Box 6D
Sparta, Georgia

Dear Mr. McMullen:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 19, 1966

Bank of Hancock County
Sparta, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $300.00 to be deposited to the account of the Citizens Democratic Club. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 28, 1966

Mr. James E. McMullen
President
Hancock County Democratic Club
Route 1 Box 6D
Sparta, Georgia

Please complete the enclosed Expense Account Form, and return to me at your earliest convenience.

Under separate cover, we are sending your150 copies of the booklet, "Know Your Rights". If we can be of any assistance to you in this matter let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

Enclosure

October 31, 1966

Mr. James E. McMullen, President
Hancock County Democratic Club
Route 1, Box 6-D
Sparta, Georgia

Dear Mr. McMullen:

Please complete the enclosed Expense Account Form and return it to me at your earliest convenience.

Under separate cover, we are sending you 150 copies of the booklet, "Know Your Rights." If we can be of any assistance to you in this matter, let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

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Enclosure

November 23, 1966

Bank of Hancock County
Sparta
Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $305.00 to be deposited to the account of the Citizens Democratic Club. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 23, 1966

Mr. James E. McMullen
President
Hancock County Democratic Club
Route 1, Box 6-D
Sparta, Georgia

Dear Mr. McMullen:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weddy Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

Mr. James E. McMullen

Hancock Central High School-- 444 5056

Home-- 444 5124

Sparta, Georgia--AC 404

James E. McMullen
444-5124

A.C. 404

March 15, 1966

Mr. Silas Smith
1018 South Davis Drive
Houston County Voters Committee
Warner Robbins, Georgia

Dear Mr. Smith:

Thank you for your inquiry concerning information on voter registration in your county.

In order for us to properly equate your program, we would need a proposal in accordance with the enclosed guidelines. May I suggest that you submit a proposal at your earliest possible convenience? We are indeed interested in your program, and will be happy to do whatever we can to help its promotion.

We look forward to hearing from you at an early date.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosure

March 23, 1966

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MAR 28 1966

Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sirs:

I, Oscar Thomie, president of the Houston County chapter of NAACP, have studied the forthcoming Voter Education Project to be sponsored by the Houston County Voters' Committee, and hereby express my full support for it.

Yours truly,

Oscar C. Thomie

Oscar Thomie
Houston County chapter of NAACP

Mr Silas Smith
1018 South Davis Drive
Warner Robins, Ga.
AC 912
922-8864

PROPOSAL FOR A VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT GRANT BY THE HOUSTON COUNTY VOTERS' COMMITTEE

Introduction

The Houston County Voters' Committee is submitting the following proposal for a Voter Education Project grant for the Warner Robins-Elberta section of Houston County. Following the successful completion of this project, the proposal will be amended to include other areas in the county.

Kind of Program

The kind of program to be undertaken includes voter registration, citizenship education, and community organization.

Voter Registration

The project will incorporate a concentrated voter registration campaign aimed at obtaining as nearly as possible 100% registration in the community. To meet this objective we will conduct a house-to-house canvass to determine who is and is not registered. In addition to the canvass the registration drive will be conducted through church and fraternal organizations and through mass meetings and smaller neighborhood meetings. A major emphasis in the campaign will be getting and keeping registration in the minds of everyone. To aid in this objective we will make extensive use of advertising on radio, in the newspapers, and through posters and handbills.

Citizenship Education

Many of the people who will be contacted by the registration drive lack sufficient citizenship education to be the informed citizens that make a healthy community. To alleviate this condition we will conduct citizenship education on two levels. We will hold several community workshops on citizenship in which we will present the political structure of the nation, state, county, and city. Also included will be a presentation of the elective offices, who holds these offices, and when they are due for reelection. To help alleviate possible anxiety the workshop will include demonstrations of the actual voting process withe use of a machine if possible.

The workshop will include smaller unit discussions of civic concerns as deemed desirable.

The second part of the citizenship education process will consist of small group meetings on a block-to-block basis as an integral part of the registration campaign. These small meetings will touch upon the subjects presanted in the larger workshops.

Community Organization

Paralleling the efforts of voter registration and citizenship education there will be a major effort directed toward community organization. This will involve obtaining block workers to continue the effort originated in this project. The block workers will

be especially helpful in future "get out the vote" campaigns.

In addition to the block workers the community organization activity will be directed toward establishing neighborhood civic clubs along logical boundaries or reinforcing such clubs as do exist. The net effect will be to leave the entire area organized through neighborhoods down to the grass-root block-to-block level.

Where

The program proposed, herein, will be for the Warner Robins-Elberta area of Houston County. This is a fast-growing city closely associated withe gigantic U.S. Air Force installation at Robins AFB. Houston County is located in Middle Georgia just south of Macon in Bibb County.

Who

The personnel proposed for this project are a director, a manager, and six field workers. The director will be responsible for the entire program and will oversee the activities in each area of the project. The person selected for director of this project is Mr. Silas Smith. Mr. Smith is and has been in charge of the Voter Registration activity of the Houston County Voters' Committee. He is a member NAACP and affiliated with SCLC. He has been active in the movement for over ten years here in Houston County and other areas of the South. The manager will be the field captain for the staff;as such he will be responsible for carrying out the orders of the director and for seeing that the staff functions as expected. The six field workers will be responsible for separate areas of the overall activity. Each staff member, however, will be required to function in any area as need requires. The six areas are office work, citizenship education, organization contacts, canvassing, community organization, and research. It is emphasized that each staff worker will be active in all areas. One will be responsible for his own area. An organization chart is included for purposes of illustration of the responsibilities of the entire staff.

Cost

A detailed budget is presented for the project as follows:

Item	Per Month	Total
Office		
Rent	$20.00	$40.00
Electricity	2.50	5.00
Water	4.00	8.00
Typewriter Rental	10.00	20.00
Telephone Deposit	50.00	50.00
Telephone Bill	20.00	40.00
Office Supplies	25.00	50.00

Item	Per Month	Total
Advertising		
Radio Announcements ($18/wk)	$144.00	$288.00
Newspaper Ads ($6/wk)	24.00	48.00
Special Printing (Posters, etc)	50.00	100.00
Transportation		
Staff Car Rental ($25/wk)		100.00
Gas and Oil for all Cars	100.00	200.00
Staff		
Director (1) ($55/wk)	220.00	440.00
Manager (1) ($25/wk)	100.00	200.00
Staff Workers (6) ($10/wk)	240.00	480.00

Time

The project is proposed for a duration of eight weeks.

Background

The last county election was held in June 1965 - bond issue 2485 Negroes voted. No Negroes were candidates. Negroes hold the following appointive jobs: 2 FIREMAN IN W.R 2 POLICE IN W.R 2 Deputies, Sheriff 3 mail carriers. Active organizations in the general civil rights area include local affiliates of SCLC and NAACP. The courthouse is open for voter registration on MON till FRI from 10 to 6:00 - SAT 9:00 till 12:00 hours. Presently, 3386 Negroes are registered.

The best index of current community thinking about voter registration may be the interest that has been shown in the recent formation of the Houston County Community Action Group (as prescribed in the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964). Although both the County Commissioners and the County Board of Education remain opposed to it, active participants include two city mayors, four white ministers, and representatives from several public agencies and private organizations.

Houston County is unique in the sense that the county seat of Perry is an old established small southern city. Perry is a town that exhibits a fair amount of hostility toward Negro registration. Warner Robins, however, is a relatively new city that is growing rapidly. Its close association with Robins Air Force Base gives it a much more liberal character. It is for this reason that Warner Robins was chosen as the first community for the Voter Education Project. It is expected that the training the staff receives here will be valuable in the Perry area which is to be the next proposed area for the project.

Silas Smith
Houston County Voters' Committee
Silas Smith

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Mr. Vernon Jordan Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

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MAR 25 1966

Dear Mr. Jordan.

Warner Robins and Houston Co.
Population since "1960" is double.
This is the map of the
"1960" census.

In God we Trust
Lilod Smith
Director Houston Co
Voter Registration

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R. T. PEIRCE

27 May 1966.

RT. 1, BOX ~~100~~ 657
WARNER ROBINS, GA. 31093

Southern Regional Council
att.Mr.Vernon Jordan.

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JUN 1 1966

Gentlemen:

It is with great pleasure that I am priveleged to acknowledge the close cooperation that the Houston County Board of Registrars have received from Mr.Silas Smith and others who have worked hard and long in the field of Voter Registration.

Realizing that many citizens were not utilizing the two places of regristration that have been provided in the County(Perry and Warner Robins),five days per week,a third location, Centerville City Hall was added this year.

Still many did not or could not apply for registration because of working hours,lack of transportation or remote area of residence. To help alleviate this condition,Mr.Smith requested that two additional Deputy Registrars be,appointed,who could and would provide Registration opportunity to those citizens in their local area without hardship or embarresment. This I was glad to do,and on the ninth of May 1966, Carrie Williams and Rosa Reid were sworn in as Deputy Registrars.

It is to be expected that their services will fill a most urgent need in Houston County,especially in the remote rural areas.

Respctfully Yours,

Richard T Peirce

Chief Registrar,Houston County.

MW
VEP-56

June 1, 1966

Mr. Silas Smith
1018 South Davis Drive
Houston County Voters Committee
Warner Robbins, Georgia

Dear Mr. Smith:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Houston County Voters Committee for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Warner Robbins, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $750.00 for a six week program, to run from June 6 to July 15, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary @ $50.00 per week	$ 300.00
b)	Task Force Workers (3) (@ $ 10.00 per week)	180.00
c)	Transportation	170.00
d)	Office Supplies	50.00
e)	Postage & Printing	50.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips,

and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly reports. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully, and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Mr. Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

June 8, 1966

Citianes State Bank
Briarcliff Branch
1764 Waston Boulevard
Warner Robins, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $250.00 to be deposited to the account of the Warner Robins Voters Registration Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Silas Smith

June 8, 1966

Mr. Silas Smith
1018 South Davis Drive
Warner Robins Voters Registration
Special Project
Warner Robins, Georgia

Dear Mr. Smith:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited in your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report form for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

June 13, 1966

Mr. Silas Smith
1018 South Davis Drive
Warner Robins Voter Registration
Special Project
Warner Robins, Georgia

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Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

June 13, 1966

Citizens State Bank
Briarcliff Branch
1764 Waston Boulevard
Wanner Robins, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $113.00 to be deposited to the account of the Warner Robins Voter Registration. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Silas Smith

June 20, 1966

Mr. Silas Smith
1018 South Davis Drive
Houston County Voters Committee
Warner Robins, Georgia

In Re: VEP-6-56

Dear Mr. Smith:

In his letter of June 1, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and <u>not by estimate.</u>

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program began June 6, we will need reports from you on June 20, July 4, and July 18.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you on July 20, after your program has been completed.

These longer reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or of importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

I apologize for the delay in getting this letter to you. Since the first report is due June 20, please make it as of that date, showing the number registered as of that date.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

June 21, 1966

Mr. Richard T. Peirce
Chief Registrar
Houston County
Route 1, Box 657
Warner Robins, Georgia 31093

Dear Mr. Peirce:

Thank you for your letter of May 27, wherein you acknowledge the close cooperation between the Houston County Board of Registrar and Mr. Silas Smith and his co-workers. We are confident that your cooperative efforts will result in the addition of many citizens to the registration books in Houston County.

To that end, the Voter Education Project has made available, to Mr. Smith's organization, some funds to assist in the local registration drive.. With the addition of the two new deputy registrars recently sworn in by you, and the concentrated efforts by Mr. Smith and his fellow workers, we are expecting a significant increase in new registrants in Houston County.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

June 22, 1966

Mr. Silas Smith
1018 South Davis Drive
Warner Robins Voter Registration
Special Project
Warner Robins, Georgia

Dear Mr. Smith:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited to your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

June 22, 1966

Citizens State Bank
Briarcliff Branch
1764 Waston Boulevard
Wanner Robins, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $130.00 to be deposited to the account of the Warner Robins Voter Registration. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Silas Smith

JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
JOSEPHINE WILKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT
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JOSEPH HAAS, COUNSEL
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Southern R[illegible] Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W[illegible] 30303

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

7-7-66

Dear Sir:

I am interested in several problems as relate to voter registration and the Voter Education Project.

Firstly, what is going well in your project, and what techniques are most effective in registration? The VEP needs this information to advise other groups just starting their projects.

Secondly, how many students do you have working, if any, and what kind of job have they done?

Thirdly, concerning newly registered voters, do you conduct any sort of voter education after registration? Do you think such education is necessary? How do the newly registered voters fit into the political picture in your county?

Finally, what are the most difficult problems you have faced in your work, and what suggestions do you have for the future?

I plan to visit your project some time next week, to discuss this with you and as many field workers as you think necessary. If possible, I would like to spend some time out in the field with your workers, and more important, talking to the people who are being registered.

I look forward to meeting you.

Yours,

William R. Beardslee
Student Field Director

WRB:nm

July 8, 1966

Mr. Silas Smith
1018 South Davis Drive
Warner Robins Voter Registration
Special Project
Warner Robins, Georgia

Dear Mr. Smith:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

July 8, 1966

Citizens State Bank
Briarcliff Branch
1764 Watson Boulevard
Warner Robins, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $122.00 to be deposited to the account of the Warner Robins Voter Registration Special Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

July 11, 1966

Mr. Silas Smith
1018 South Davis Drive
Warner Robins Voter Registration
Special Project
Warner Robins, Georgia

Dear Mr. Smith:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Citizens State Bank Warner Robins, Georgia, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 11, 1966

Citizens State Bank
Warner Robins, Georgia

Gentlemen:

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Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Silas Smith

July 12, 1966

Mr. Silas Smith
1018 South Davis Drive
Warner Robins, Georgia

Dear Mr. Smith:

Pursuant to our conversation of July 8, I am happy to inform you that we are supplementing your grant in the amount of $250.00 to cover the period July 19 through July 26.

These forms may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against any political candidate.

I you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

July 13, 1966

Mr. Silas Smith
1018 South Davis Drive
Warner Robins, Georgia

Dear Mr. Smith:

Pyrsuant to our conversation of July 8, I am happy to inform you that we are supplementing your grant in the amount of $250.00 to cover the period July 19 through July 26.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the account of the Warner Robins Voter Registration Special Project, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 13, 1966

Citizens State Bank
Briarcliff Branch
1764 Warton Boulevard
Warner Robins, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $125.00 to be deposited to the account of the Warner Robins Voter Registration Special Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

To/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Silas Smith

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

Wiley A. Branton, Project Director

BUDGET REVISION Warner Robins Branch, NAACP

VEP 66-56 Report due Monday of each week

6 Weeks June 6 - July 15, 1966

Director @ $50. per week	$300.00	
Task Force Workers (3) @ $10. per week	180.00	
Tansportation	~~XXXXXX~~170.00	
Office Supplies	50.00	
Postage and Printing	50.00	
		750.00

cc; W. C. Patton

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July 27, 1966

Citizens State Bank
Briarcliff Branch
1764 Waston Boulevard
Warner Robins, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $125.00 to beddeposited to the account of the Warner Robins Voter Registration Special Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Silas Smith

July 27, 1966

Mr. Silas Smith
1018 South Davis Drive
Warner Robins Voter Registration
Special Project
Warner Robins, Georgia

Dear Mr. Smith:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 1, 1966

Mr. Silas Smith
1018 South Davis Drive
Warner Robins, Georgia

Dear Mr. Smith:

Pursuant to your most recent request, I am happy to inform you that we are making a supplementary grant in the amount of $350.00 to cover the period September 5 through September 19.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against any political candidate.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) Weekly Report Forms for your weekly reporting.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 1, 1966

Citizens State Bank
Briarcliff Branch
1764 Warton Boulevard
Warner Robins, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $175.00 to be deposited to the account of the Warner Robins Voter Registration Special Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls

September 6, 1966

Mr. Silas Smith
1018 South Davis Drive
Warner Robins, Georgia

Dear Mr. Smith:

I am pleased to see that you will be conducting an additional registration campaign during the period September 5 through September 19. Since you are thoroughly familiar with our reporting needs, I will send you a new supply of reporting forms withouth further explaination.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Best of luck on this additional campaign.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

September 16, 1966

Mr. Silas Smith
1018 South Davis Drive
Warner Robins, Georgia

Dear Mr. Smith:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO/pf
Encls:

September 16, 1966

The Citizens State Bank
Briarcliff Branch
1764 Warton Boulevard
Warner Robins, Georgia

Gentlemen:

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Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 19, 1966

Mr. Silas Smith
1018 South Davis Drive
Warner Robins, Georgia

Dear Mr. Smith:

Pursuant to your telephone call of September 19, enclosed are the requested forms.

If we can be of further service please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 30, 1966

Mr. Silas Smith
1018 South Davis Drive
Warner Robins, Georgia

Dear Mr. Smith:

In going through your files, I noticed no figure for the number registered July 3 to July 9, 1966. I know this was sometime ago, but if you still have the figure I would appreciate getting it, just for the record.

Congradulations on your last report. We continue to be heartened by the fine work you are doing in Houston county.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

October 11, 1966

Mr. Silas Smith
1013 South Davis Drive
Warner Robins, Georgia 31093

Dear Mr. Smith:

For your information:

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 27, 1966

Mr. Silas Smith
1013 South Davis Drive
Warner Robins, Georgia

Dear Mr. Smith:

Please complete the enclosed Expense Account Form, and return to me at your earliest convenience.

We appreciate your interest and thank you for coming.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

Warner Robins Special
Voter Registration
Project 1018 S. Davis Dr.
Warner Robins Ga.

Southern Regiond
Council Org.
5 Forsyth St. North West
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Jordan
I'm sending you ~~infor~~ the bank's name and address that you need.
Citizen State Bank Briarcliff Office
1764 Waston Blvd. Warner Robins Ga.
We will forward to S.R.C. Office weekly.

Sincerely your
Silas Smith
Directer of W.R.
Project
by R.L.H.

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

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1018 South Davis Dr.
Warner Robins, Georgia

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Dear Mr. Jordon,

We are still registering some people in one area of the County in Haynesville but we still have Grovania, Henderson, Ella, Kathlen, Perry there are heavy Negroes population in these area that are not registered. We have registered servals hundred in the other Drive. And we believe with a Crash Program We can get from 700 to 1,000 New Register Voter for the November Election. From Aug 31, to Sept. 19..

As you know We have some Board of Education members and County Commission Representatives and Senator we are going to replace because they have been against us. Every since they been elected So With this New Negro Vote We hope to change the Powerful Political View And to run some Negroes in city and local races. We have organized a strong youth Council that are working With this program every afternoon school is out and on Saturday and Sunday Plus Churches and other locals Clubs

With a grant of $500.00 dollars for the Houston County Voters Committee to Conduct this Campaign.

In God We Trust
Silas Smith

TO

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Aministration Assistant
Voters Education Project

Mr. Silas Smith
1018 South Davis Dr.
Warner Robins, Ga.
31093

Dear Mr. Olive:

We completed our Voters Registration Project with 876 new voters who will be able to vote in the November General Election. This would not have been possible without the aid and assistant of the people in your organization. We, here in Houston County will be forever grateful to the Voters Education Project Leaders.

Now we can stand up in large numbers and demand our freedom and justice and run some Negros in all election, both city and county. We still have some that we did not get but we hope we will be able to continue at a later date.

Houston County Negros will never forget Southern Regional Council and the Voters Education Project for their assistant in helping us. If there are any other programs that you want us to conduct we will be happy to assist you in any way we can.

Sincerely yours

Silas Smith

Silas Smith, Director
Houston County Voters
Committee

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Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
N.W. Atlanta, Georgia
30303

Mr. Silas Smith
1018 South Davis Dr.
Warner Robins, Ga
31093

Dear Mr. Jordan:

We completed our Voters Registration Project with 876 new voters who will be able to vote in the November General Election. This wouldv'e been impossible without the aid of Southern Regional Council and its staff. You all made a great contribution to Houston County Negros.

Now we can stand up in large numbers and demand our freedom and justice and run some Negros in all election both city and county. We still have some that we did not get to but we hope we will be able to continue at a later date.

Houston Negros will never forget Southern Regional Council and its leaders and staff. If there are any other program we can conduct this Fall please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

Silas Smith

Silas Smith, Director
Houston County Voters
Committee

1112 - 12th Street
Augusta, Georgia
February 21, 1966

Mr. W. C. Patton
1630 North 4th Avenue
Room 407
Brimingham, Alabama

Dear Mr. Patton:

We hope that this proposal will meet your approval. If not please let us know immediately. Also let us know what further information you wish.

The budget comes to $ 3,620.00. We are going to raise some money in order to extend the drive beyond the eight weeks we have scheduled and take care of any other expense we may incur.

Yours truly,

N. T. Young

N. T. Young, Sr.

NTY:aw

Voter Registration Proposal for Augusta

and Richmond County, Georgia

Augusta, Richmond County, is located in the Eastern portion of the state on the Savannah River which separates Georgia from South Carolina at this point.

Richmond County is bounded by the following counties: Columbia and Burke. All these counties are in the Tenth Congressional District of Georgia.

The population of Augusta, according to the 1960 census was 72,000. I am sure it has declined since then because Urban Renewal has taken over one area which was thickly populated. A new City Council Hospital will be built in the area taken over by Urban Renewal.

There are 23,047 eligible voters in the city and there are about 8,500 Negro voters in this number. There are 17,601 registered white voters in the county and there are 2,600 Negro voters in the county.

The system of voting in Augusta was by wards until the middle 50's. Mr. W. C. Erivn, a Negro, was elected to the County Board of Education. Immediately after this election, the next year, the voting procedure was put on a city wide basis. This was done to minimize the Negroes voting strength. When Mr. Ervin ran for the second term he was defeated in a city wide election.

In 1961 the Legislature changed the procedure of voting for the Executive Democratic Committee of Richmond County from county wide basis back to the ward system.

So in 1962 four (4) Negroes, Mr. B. L. Dent, Mrs. Helen Harris in second ward, Dr. R. S. Weston and C. S. Hamilton in fourth ward, were elected to the Executive

Democratic Committee of Richmond County. Dr. Weston resigned in 1964 because he moved over in South Carolina.

In 1964, Mr. B. L. Dent was elected to the City Council from the second ward. And in 1965 The Reverend C. S. Hamilton was elected to City Council from the fourth ward. Both of these men were elected on city wide basis.

There has been a Voter Registration Drive sponsored by the Republican (Goldwater) for whites in the community. It will be neccessary for a larger percentage of the Negroes population to be registered to give the Negroes enough voting strength to be felt in the community. Augusta and Richmond County went Republican in the last election and that meant it was anti-Negro.

The political organizations in Augusta and Richmond County have been divided over the years. All of the Voter Leagues have agreed to come together to work for the Voter Registration Drive. In fact, all the political organizations, for the past two years have united to help elect, not only the Negro candidated, but the whites as well. There are four Voter Leagues in the city and county.

One factor which makes a Voter Registration Drive hard in this community is that at one time workers were paid for each persons name added to the book. So there is still a carry over for persons to want to receive money for everything which is done.

It has been previously mentioned that Mr. W. C. Ervin served on the School Board, four Negroes have served on the Richmond County Executive Democratic Committee, they are still serving, but there will be a new method used after this year for conducting the Democratic elections. There is a Negro on each of the Housing Authority and the Hospital Authority. They were appointed.

The Voter Registration office will be open five days per week, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. During the month of March there will be

Mobile Registration in some areas of the city. In all previous years the Mobile Registration campaign has been held in predominantly white locations. It is our hope that there will be some stations in the Negro community this year.

The Voter Registration Drive will run for eight weeks, beginning March 1, 1966 and run through the middle of April, and if it can be extended at least through the first week of May before the books close.

There are at least fifteen thousand (15,000) eligible voters who are not registered in Augusta. We should be able to get five thousand (5,000) additional Negro registered voters in the city and county. All groups have agreed to help push this Voter Registration Drive.

Our budget and the program personnel list is attached.

The drive will be organized in such a way that there will be door to door canvass. Each ward will be organized and houses will be canvassed, street by street. Speakers will be sent out to churches and organizations. There will be weekly Mass Meetings going from ward to ward. Ministers and other professional help will be included also.

The Reverend N. T. Young, Sr., minister of the Thankful Baptist Church, located at the corner of Third and Walker.

The Reverend Mr. Young, has served as minister of Thankful Baptist Church for the past twenty years. He knows a large number of people and under his dynamic leadership the drive will go over.

Mr. John Ziegler, a retired Brick Mason is serving as General Chairman and he has worked in the political arena for a number of years. It is good for Augusta to have his political experience.

The two, Mr. Young and Mr. Zeigler, will make a good team for the Voter Registration Drive for Augusta and Richmond County.

RICHMOND COUNTY VOTER EDUCATION

PROGRAM PERSONNEL

Chairman	722-7394	Mr. John Zeigler 1350 - 11th Street
Co Chairman	722-8958	The Rev. C. H. Boddy 907 D'Antignac Street
Secretary	724-1958	Dr. E. C. Powell Paine College
Treasurer	722-4133	Mr. Richard Dent 1117 Gwinnett Street

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Transportation	Mr. H. Davis Mr. P. Davis
Public Relations	Mr. Ed. McIntyre Mr. Benjamin Mays
Telephone	Mrs. Theodosia Edwards
Speaker	The Rev. C. H. Boddy
Finance	Mr. Charlie Reid Mr. I. E. Eubanks
Church	The Rev. R. L. Postell

OFFICE PERSONNEL

Director	722-8955	Rev. N. T. Young,Sr. 1112 - 12th Street
Secretary	724-0907	Mrs. Mary Henley 218 Walker Street

BUDGET

Director (@ 65.00 per week)	$ 520.00	$500.00
Secretary (@45.00 per week)	360.00	35.00
Transportation	1,000.00	750.00
Office Rent	280.00	
Telephone	50.00	
Publicity (Radio 75.00 - Prizes 350.00)	425.00	100.00
Office Supplies	350.00	150.00
Handbills & Leaflets Printing	200.00	100.00
Miscellaneous (Speakers and Fixtures)	300.00	*
Furniture and Fixtures	35.00	35.00
Stamps	100 .00	50.00
Total	3,620 .00	

March 8, 1966

Mr. N. T. Young, Sr.
1112 - 12th Street
Augusta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Young:

The Voter Ecucation Project has carefully considered the request of Richmond County to conduct a voter registration campaign in Richmond County, ~~Virginia~~. GA We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,195.00 for an eight week period to run from March 14 to May 6, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director, $50. per week	$ 400.00
b)	Secretary 35. " "	280.00
c)	Transportation	750.00
d)	Office Rent	280.00
e)	Telephone	50.00
f)	Publicity	100.00
g)	Office Supplies	150.00
h)	Handbills and Leaflets	100.00
i)	Furniture & Fixtures	35.00
j)	Postage	50.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank, the Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program, a copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of the number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic peprisals, if any, f) samples of material, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, not to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. Wou should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Mr. N. T. Young, Sr.-3-
March 8, 1966

Our Research Director, Mrs. Barbara Patterson, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

AUGUSTA RICHMOND COUNTY VOTER EDUCATIONAL PROJECT

1223 Gwinnett Street

Augusta, Georgia — 722-3686 8955

March 10, 1966

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Mr. Vernon Jordan
Voter Education Director
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan:

I am enclosing the signature card for the Gwinnett Street Branch of the Georgia Railroad Bank. When you send the signature card back the bank will send the deposit slips with the account number on it.

The Augusta Voter Registration Drive actually started on March 1, 1966. We will send you the report on the number registered in this drive.

The Reverend C. H. Boddy agreed to direct the project the week I will be out so that is taken care of.

So far the community is giving good support to the drive.

Yours truly,

N. T. Young

N. T. Young

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AUGUSTA RICHMOND COUNTY VOTER EDUCATIONAL PROJECT

1223 Gwinnett Street

Augusta, Georgia

March 16, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan
Voter Educational Director
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Enclosed you will find the signatures cards and the itemized expenditures of the Voters Project.

We received instruction from you to start the Drive March 14. We, however, started March 1, a few days before we received your letter.

Please send us the report forms and other materials that we might need in making our reports.

Yours truly,

N. T. Young

N. T. Young

NTY:mh

P. S. This report covers March 1 - 18

METHODS USED IN GETTING PERSONS REGISTERED

1. Contact by telephone.

2. We have six workers on the field. We have divided the eight wards into Block zones. The workers go from door to door.

3. Radio Station W. T. H. B. gives us a spot announcement every hour urging the people to register. This will be done throughout the Drive.

4. We are using Bumper stickers from your office and 1500 furnished by the Pilgrim Health & Life Insurance Co. (sample enclosed)

5. Weekly Mass Meetings are held each Sunday in different churches.

6. The newspapers.

7. Cars are used to get persons to the Registrars office.

8. We had a mobile registration March 8-9.

9. We have a worker at the Municipal Building instructing people to register.

Thus far, we have had six-hundred persons to register.

EXPENDITURES

Cross Reference Directory (City Publishing Co.)	$22.60
Office Supplies (Waddey Office Co)	12.45
Rental on Typewriter (one-month)	8.75
Sign for Headquarters (Moog Sign Co)	45.00
Stamps	10.00
Transportation	124.00
Office Rent (two-weeks)	70.00
	$292.80

SALARIES

N. T. Young (Two* weeks)	$100.00
Mrs. Mary Henley (Secretary)	70.00
	$ 170.00

March 16, 1966

Mr. N. T. Young, Sr.
1112 12th Street
Augusta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Young:

It has been a pleasure and privilege to have a proposal in our files from your organization. Your proposal sets a high standard for others to attain. I am well aware of the substantial part you played in preparing this proposal, and I wish to express my deep gratitude for your cooperation.

Next Friday, March 25, I will be in Augusta, Georgia to get better acquainted with you and your project. We look forward to a mutually pleasant and profitable day.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm

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March 18, 1966

Georgia Railroad Bank
and Trust Company
Augusta, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $600.00, which is to be deposited to the account of the Richmond Voters Educational Project, Richmond County, Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosures
Ck. $600.00 & deposit slip

cc: Reverend N. T. Young, Sr.

March 18, 1966

Reverend N. T. Young, Sr.
Augusta Richmond County
Voter Education Project
1223 Gwinnett Street
Augusta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Young:

We are enclosing the following: a) cash voucher forms, b) deposit slip copy indicating the amount of the deposit, c) our letter to the Georgia Railroad Bank & Trust Company, Augusta, Ga., and d) weekly reporting forms for your weekly report, which is due Monday of each week.

It is indeed our hope that your program is successful, and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosures
(As stated above)

COMMUNITY VOTERS PROJECT

1223 Gwinnett Street

March 24, 1965

Dear Pastor:

The Augusta Voter Educational Project is holding a Mass Meeting Sunday, March 27 at 3:00 P.M. at Elim Baptist Church, Mt. Auburn Ave.

We are counting on you to stress this registration drive to your membership. This organization is trying to get five-thousand registered voters added to the registration list in the next six weeks. Please encourage persons who are not registered in your membership to register and attend this meeting Sunday. Whatever financial assistance you can give will be greatly appreciated.

Please announce this meeting to your congregation on Sunday.

Yours truly,

Rev. C. H. Boddy

Rev. N. T. Young

CITY-WIDE MASS MEETING

KLIM BAPTIST CHURCH

MT. AUBURN AVE.

R. L. BOYD, Minister

March 27, 1966

HYMN ----------Klim Choir

PRAYER----------

SCRIPTURE ---------- Rev. G. E. Wingfield

SELECTION ---------- Klim Choir

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER ---------- Mrs. S. W. Jones

SPEAKER ---------- Dr. I E. Washington

SOLO ---------- Mr. Joseph Johnson

REMARKS ---------- Mr. John G. Zeigler

OFFERING ---------- Finance Committee

REPORTS FROM CHURCHES

REMARKS ---------- Rev. C. H. Boddy

BENEDICTION

NOTE:

MASS MEETING, APRIL 3, 1966 at 4:00 P.M.
DOUGHTY RECREATION CENTER, S. NEILLIEVILLE

March 30, 1966

The Reverend C.H. Boddy
1224 Gwinnett Street
Augusta, Georgia

RE: VEP 6-6

Dear Mr. Boddy:

Vernon Jordan's letter to you of March 8, 1966, mentioned the research reports the Voter Education Project will require from the Richmond County voter drive under the terms of your grant to conduct voter registration.

I am enclosing with this letter a copy of the form which we wish your office to fill in and return to us twice a month. Please do not send us forms filled out by several voter registration workers convering different times worked. Instead, we suggest that one of the project personnel collect from the workers their records of persons reached by canvass, taken to register, etc., and total them on one sheet to be sent to us. A supply of these forms is being sent to you under separate cover for use by workers in the field. It is of vital importance that the figures submitted to us be actual numerical count and not estimates.

Since your program was operative as of March 14, the first report should be in our office on or about March 31, and therafter on April 18 and May 10 for the duration of the program. (Thad Olive has told me that he learned while with you last week that some 500 had been registered during your first week and about 125 during your second. We are interested in having the precise details of this effort. The registration of high school students and the carnival are of particular interest.)

In the course of this 10-week program we require a minimum of two narrative reports about your program. These can be of whatever length you find suitable and may be written by anyone from volunteer block worker to project director. Their essential requirement is that they tell specifically what the Richmond County drive is doing and how it is doing it. We suggest that these narrative reports be in our office on about April 15 and May 12. The last report from you should evaluate the total performance of the program, there are no other conditions attached to the reports. It is our hope that this flexibility will permit you to encourage your campaign workers who may not have written much before to write down their experiences for us in their own words.

We are interested in receiving copies of any printed materials you use.

And if we can be of any assistance please let us hear from you. We look forward to your reports.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Barbara Patterson
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

March 30, 1966

The Reverend C. S. Hamilton
Tabernacle Baptist Church
1224 Gwinnett Street
Augusta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hamilton:

Just a note to say thanks for your hospitality during my visit to your office, church and home on Friday.

I think our Friday night experience was most profitable. Please be kind enough to extend my best wishes to your wife, children, and particularly to your charming niece, Pat.

My mother enjoyed your message Sunday.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm

March 30, 1966

The Reverend N.T. Young, Sr.
Augusta-Richmond County
Voters Educational Project
1224 Gwinnett Street
Augusta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Young:

We are enclosing the following: a) copy of deposit slip indicating the amount deposited in your account; b) weekly reporting forms.

Best wishes on your coming project.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Encl.

March 30, 1966

Georgia Railroad Bank & Trust Company
Augusta, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $599.95 to be deposited to the account of the Richmond County Voters Educational Project, Augusta, and deposit slips thereto.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Encl.

AUGUSTA-RICHMOND COUNTY VOTERS EDUCATIONAL PROJECT

1223 Gwinnett Street

April 1, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

Our transportation for this week was seventy-two dollars. This is how we pay for transportation: We employ the driver and car for eight dollars per day. Hours are 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Please let me know if this is alright. If not, please state your plan and I will give this information to the drivers.

I have not made the refund to the local fund as yet. We owe them two-hundred and nineteen dollars. When I checked with the bank this morning, the deposit for this week had not been credited to our account. However, this will be rechecked Monday of next week. We need more of the weekly deposit and report blanks.

Yours truly,

N. T. Young Sr.

Rev. N. T. Young, Sr.

NTY:mh

April 5, 1966

Georgia Railroad Bank and Trust
Company
Augusta, Georgia

Re: Account #005-511-4

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3[illegible]6.48 to be deposited to the account of the Augusta - Richmond County Voters Educational Project, Augusta, Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Encl.

cc: Reverend N. T. Young, Sr.

April 5, 1966

The Reverend N. T. Young, Sr.
Augusta-Richmond County
Voter Educational Project
1224 Gwinnett Street
Augusta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Young:

We are enclosing the following: a) copy of deposit slip indicating the amount deposited in your account; b) weekly reporting forms.

Continue the good work.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Encl.

April 11, 1966

The Reverend N. T. Young, Sr.
Augusta-Richmond County
Voter Education Project
1224 Gwinnett Street
Augusta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Young :

We are in receipt of your weekly report for the week ending April 8, 1966. May I prevail upon you to explain check No. 11 payable to the Community Voters Project for a refund in the amount of $200.00? May we have this explanation at your earliest possible convenience?

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo

AUGUSTA-RICHMOND COUNTY VOTERS EDUCATIONAL PROJECT

1223 Gwinnett Street

April 15, 1966

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Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

Our project began March 1, we received the budget from Southern Regional, March 9. On March 18 we received our first part of our budget from Southern Regional. Before receiving this amount we had spent from the Community fund $260.02. The attached sheet shows how the money was spent.

I consulted you about refunding the local fund the amount that was spent before we received our allocation. I did not refund the full amount as you can see.

Yours truly,

N. T. Young Sr.

Rev. N. T. Young, Sr.

NTY:mh

Enclosure

Expenses

Office Supplies:

March 5	City Publishing Co (Cross Reference Telephone Directory)	$22.60
March 8	Waddey Office Supply	11.42
March 18	Stamps	5.00
		$39.02

Secretary(Mrs. Mary W. Henley)

March 5	(Salary)	$35.00
March 11	"	35.00
March 18	"	35.00
		$105.00

Transportation:

March 14	Mrs. Patricia Anthony	$16.00
March 14	Mrs. Alice Jasper	20.00
March 15	Mrs. Elizabeth Williams	16.00
March 18	Mrs. Alice Jasper	32.00
March 18	Mrs. Elizabeth Williams	24.00
March 18	Mrs. Patricia Anthony	8.00
		$116.00

Office Supplies	$39.02
Salary for Secretary	105.00
Transportation	116.00
	$260.02

April 18, 1966

The Reverend N. T. Young, Sr.
Augusta-Richmond County
Voter Education Project
1224 Gwinnett Street
Augusta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Young:

Enclosed are the following: a) deposit slip copy, indicating amount deposited to your account, b) weekly reporting forms for your weekly report, and c) copy of our letter to the Georgia Railroad Bank and Trust Company transmitting funds.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosures

April 18, 1966

Georgia Railroad Bank and Trust Company
Augusta, Georgia

Re: Account # 005-511-4

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith is our check in the amount of $388.00 to be deposited to the account of the Richmond County Voter Education Project, Augusta, Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosure

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April 19, 1966

The Georgia Railroad Bank
and Trust Company
Augusta, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check, in the amount of $211.13, to be deposited to the account of the Augusta-Richmond County Voter Education Project, Augusta, Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosures
Ck. $211.13
Deposit slips

April 19, 1966

The Reverend N. T. Young, Sr.
Augusta-Richmond County
Voter Education Project
1224 Gwinnett Street
Augusta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Young:

Enclosed are the following:

a) Copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited to your account at the Georgia Railroad Bank and Trust Company,

b) Copy of letter of transmittal, and

c) Weekly Report forms.

Good luck in your endeavors.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosures

April 26, 1966

The Georgia Railroad Bank
and Trust Company
Augusta, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $79.44 to be deposited in the account of the Augusta-Richmond County Voter Education Project, Augusta, Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosure

April 26, 1966

The Reverend N. T. Young, Sr.
Augusta-Richmond County
Voter Education Project
1224 Gwinnett Street
Augusta, Georiga

Dear Mr. Young:

One of the provisions included in our guidelines was that all Bank Statements and Canceled Checks be forwarded to our office. To date we have not received these from the Georgia Railroad Bank and Trust Company. Could I ask you to check on this matter for us?

Enclosed you will find the following: Our letter to the Georgia Railroad Bank and Trust Company transmitting funds; copy of the deposit slip; and weekly reporting forms.

We hope that your program is going well.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosures

INTRA-OFFICE USE ONLY

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

~~Wilson Branton~~, Project Director

RICHMOND COUNTY VOTER REGISTRATION

Budget Revision 8 weeks

Mar 14 to May 6 8 weeks

a	Director $50. a week	$400.00
b	Secretary 35. per week	280.00
c	Transportation	750.00
d	Office Rent	280.00
e	Telephone	50.00
f	Publicity	100.00
g	Office Supplies	150.00
h	Handbills and Leaflets	100.00
i	Furniture and Fixtures	35.00
j	~~Stamps~~ Postage	50.00
		$2,195.00

REPORTING DAY

MONDAY

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May 12, 1966

The Reverend N. T. Young, Sr.
Augusta-Richmond County Voters
Educational Project
1223 Gwinnett Street
Augusta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Young:

This is in response to your request to the Voter Education Project to extend the registration drive of the Augusta-Richmond County Voters Educational Project an additional six weeks.

While we are indeed pleased with the manner in which you have conducted the project, and the progress made, we regret that at this time we cannot renew your grant for an additional six weeks. We would, however, encourage you to continue your efforts with whatever local support that is available.

I am sure that you will give us a final report on the entire activities of the voter registration drive, at your earliest possible convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

AUGUSTA-RICHMOND COUNTY VOTERS EDUCATIONAL PROJECT

1223 Gwinnett Street

May 9, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

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MAY 1 0 1966

Dear Mr. Jordan:

In our voter Registration drive here in Richmond County, we have registered over fifteen-hundred voters.

The Registration books for the September election will close on July 25, and we would like to extend our drive six additional weeks if possible.

There is still a large number of eligible persons we have contacted and there are many who have not been contacted. We need to see and persuade them to register.

We still have all our workers on the job and it would enable us to continue without any break in the schedule.

The interest of the citizens has increased since the Registration drive started and it will enable us to reach these people.

The local committee has met and feel it would benefit the community if we could continue.

Yours truly,

N. T. Young Sr.

N. T. Young, Sr.

NTY:mh

1223 Gwinnett St.
Augusta, Ga

May 13, 1966

The Reverend N. T. Young
Augusta-Richmond County Voter
Education Project
1224 Gwinnett Street
Augusta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Young:

In compliance with the provisions of our guidelines, we are forwarding a copy of your Bank Reconciliation as of April 31, 1966.

It is our sincere wish that your program is indeed successful, and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosure

AUGUSTA-RICHMOND COUNTY VOTERS EDUCATIONAL PROJECT

1223 Gwinnett Street

May 16, 1966

RECEIVED

MAY 17 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

The deposit slips shows that we received from you $2,195.00. According to the reports sent to you each week we have spent $2,501.16. We have over spent $306.16.

The balance left in this account as of last week was $345.95. It seems that some of the local fund was deposited to this account. However, I am using this balance on this report.

We regret that you can't help us further. Thanks for the help given, it greatly benefited the whole county. We are pleased to know that our work has been sastifactory. We will try to carry on a while longer.

We will also get the narrative to you on this project as soon as possible.

Yours truly,

N. T. Young Sr.

N. T. Young, Sr.

NTY:mh

AUGUSTA-RICHMOND COUNTY VOTERS EDUCATIONAL PROJECT

1223 Gwinnett Street

May 20, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive,
Administrative Aide
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

In our report of last week, I explained our financial status. This week we had a balance of $54.95 in the account. Only one salary could be paid from this account. The others were paid from the Community fund.

We still have an unpaid Telephone bill and a rental fee bill for the typewriter. We will handle these from the Community fund.

Yours truly,

N. T. Young Sr.

N. T. Young, Sr.

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February 26, 1966

Mr. E. H. Gadsden
Chairman
Political Action Committee
Savannah Branch NAACP
1214 1/2 West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia

Dear Mr. Gadsden:

We are happy to learn that the Savannah Branch of the NAACP is planning a Voter Registration drive. It is as much needed in Sandfly community as it is in other parts of the county. As in the past in other efforts of the Savannah Branch, we pledge our fullest support and cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

Rev. Benton Powell
President
Sandfly Betterment Association

February 26, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

This is to endorse the application of the Savannah Branch of the NAACP for funds from your organization with which to carry on a Voter Registration Project in our city. The history of the leadership of this organization in our community leaves no doubt as to its ability to conduct an effective registration project among our Negro citizens. We urge that you grant the necessary funds and in addition we promise our fullest cooperation in making the project a success.

Yours sincerely,

Jos. A. Fall

President
Baptist Ministers Union

February 26, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

It has come to our attention that the Savannah Branch of the NAACP has made application to your organization for funds to conduct a Voter Registration Project in Savannah. In view of the fact that there are many unregistered Negroes in our County and because we believe that the Savannah Branch is the organization most capable of conducting such a campaign, we strongly urge that you grant their application. Our organization pledges its wholehearted support of this project.

Yours sincerely,

Rev. Harold Dalton

President
Interdenominational Ministerial
Alliance

February 26, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

The Evangelical Ministers Union of Savannah is happy to endorse the application of the Savannah Branch of the NAACP for assistance in putting on a Voter Registration Project. We feel that this organization has the machinery and the ability to do a better job in this area than any other group in our community. This has been proven by many similar activities in the past.

This effort is sorely needed in our county at this time as the records show that there has been a decrease in the number of Negroes registered since 1964. Our group will be pleased to place its influence behind the NAACP in this much needed drive.

Yours sincerely,

Reverend Joseph B. Smith

President
Evangelical Ministers Union

February 26, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

As an organization interested in the civic betterment of the Negroes of Savannah, we are, of course, extremely concerned about the Negro's attainment and use of the ballot. We are glad, therefore, to learn that the Savannah Branch of the NAACP has applied to you for funds for a Voter Registration Campaign and we are hopeful that you will be able to furnish the funds.

The Savannah Branch can count on us for cooperation and support throughout the registration effort.

Yours sincerely,

President
The Civic Boosters Club

E. H. GADSDEN
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW
458½ WEST BROAD STREET
SAVANNAH, GA. 31401

TELEPHONE ADAMS 6-9987

February 28, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Re: Application of Savannah Branch NAACP for funds to conduct a Voter Registration Drive

Dear Vernon:

Enclosed herewith you will find the following documents:

1. Proposed Voter Registration Project by the Savannah Branch NAACP.

2. Five supporting letters from civic and religious organizations having influence among Negroes in Chatham County.

We attempted to cover all of the points of interest contained in your "Guidelines for Voter Education Project Grants". If further information is needed do not fail to call us. As you can see by our proposal the project is badly needed in Chatham County but by virtue of the election laws we are losing persons who do not vote in the requisite number of elections. The branch conducts a low gear campaign of registration at all times but I believe that an intensive effort like this is needed to produce registration in sufficient number.

We certainly hope that you will be able to finance our program and we promise that if you do it will be money well spent.

Best wishes and kindest personal regards.

Yours sincerely,

Gene

Gene

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Draft Proposal for your Voter Registration Project
by The Political Advisory Council, Savannah Branch
NAACP

The proposed program is to be primarily one of voter registration. We feel that this type of program is an absolute necessity for our locality. There are approximately 30,000 unregistered Negroes in Chatham County. This effort will be an attempt to register 15,000 of them. Our method of conducting the program will be as follows:

1. Organization of the geographical area by precincts. Each precinct to be further broken down into blocks where feasible.

2. Newspaper ads will be used to stimulate the interest of the people and to inform them of the places of registration and other pertinent information incident to a voter registration campaign.

3. Radio spot announcements at prime times from the radio station in the locality which is beamed primarily to Negro citizens.

4. Announcements in Churches. The local Ministerial group has agreed to co-operate fully in this respect and to lend the weight of their influence to the voter registration project.

5. Community group meetings in all localities of the County. This will have the effect of bringing the voter registration program home to the people where they live.

6. Workers will be placed at the Court House so that people can be urged to register while they are in the Court House on other business. This time of the year the Court House is crowded with persons making tax returns and purchasing car license plates.

7. The local Board of Registrars will be requested to establish neighborhood registration centers with special provisions for registration after regular working hours. This is important because many people who are unregistered do not have time during

their regular day to come to the registration center. The evening hours will make it possible for this large number of potential voters to be registered.

8. Special announcements will be made at all public gatherings. In addition, clubs, Fraternities and Sororities will be contacted and asked to make the announcement at their meetings also.

9. A Sound Truck will be used periodically in heavily populated areas to bring to the attention of the people in their neighborhoods that a voter registration project is going on and to request them ot take advantage of it.

Geographical and Political Boundaries of the place to be served by the voter registration program

The geographical boundaries will include all of Savannah and Chatham County. The program will be geared to reach all precincts in Savannah and in Chatham County.

Personnel and Staff

1. An Executive Director to administer and direct the entire program.

2. A Precinct co-ordinator whose duties will be to organize the precincts and to recruit and direct the precinct workers and block workers.

3. A Community co-ordinator whose function it will be to set up and plan meetings in every locality in the County and to seek the co-operation and support of social, civic and religious groups in the city and the county.

4. A transportation co-ordinator whose duty it will be to supply transportation where needed for the prospective registrants.

5. A secretary to perform ordinary secretarial duties.

6. Precinct captains for each one of our 61 precincts.

Cost of the Program

Executive Director (at 35.00 per week)	280.00	
Three Co-ordinators (at 25.00 per week)	600.00	
Secretary (25.00 per week)	200.00	
Precinct captains[(61) at 610.00 per week]	4880.00	
Office space (25.00 per month)	50.00	
Transportation cost (100.00 per month)	200.00	
Total	6,260.00	$6,260.00

Office Supplies

Stationary, stamps and rental of typewriter	225.00	
Sound truck (for ten days at 20.00 per day)	200.00	
Sound truck operator (5.00 per day)	50.00	
Radio spot announcements (50 at 2.50 each)	125.00	
Newspaper advertising (two full pages at 96.00 each)	192.00	
Miscellaneous expenses	200.00	
Total	992.00	992.00
Grand Total		$7,252.00

6 weeks

The program will begin March 1, 1966 and run through April 3, 1966, or two months from date of the approval of the grant.

Background Information

The present political picture of our community is one that could be optimistic. Approximately 30% of the registered voters are Negroes and in a contested election this is sufficient to determine the issue. This is exactly what has taken place in the recent past. In the last general election Negroes determined the election of the County Commissioners and the Sheriff of the City Court and, more recently in a special election the Representatives of Chatham County to the State Legislature. In the Presidential election of November, 1964 approximately seventy-five per cent of the votes

cast for Johnson in Chatham County were cast by Negroes.

That is why it is so important that we now conduct a voter registration drive and get more of our citizens on the books. This is imperative because we are now arriving at a stage in our political developement when we can demand to be included on slates. The only time when the Negro vote has not been of sufficient size to determine the outcome of an election, has been in the run-off elections when the issue usually resolves into one of black against white and the Negroes are out-voted.

Negroes voting in the last few Elections

In the election of November, 1964 approximately 16,000 Negroes voted. This was of course, the Presidential election and the issue was of sufficient interest to bring out the vote. However, in the primary election of 1965 the number dropped sharply to 8,000 and the special election of 1965 it dropped even further to 6,000. This is the unfortunate result of the failure of Negroes to vote unless there is some bruning issue which arouses their emotions. A part of our voter registration program will be to urge and persuade all voters to take part in every election. This is important under Georgia law since failure to vote in three successive general elections causes the lost of the registration. As a result of the operation of this law the number of registered Negroes voters in Chatham County has decreased from approximately 20,000 in the fall of 1964 to approximately 17,000 as of January 15, 1966.

Negroes have run for office several times during the past few years. The offices sought were Clerk of the Superior Court in 1961, Membership in the County Democratic Executive Committee in 1962, Membership in the City Democratic Committee in 1962 and State Senator in 1963.

Appointive Positions

Negroes have not been appointed to salaried positions in any policy-making level, but they have been appointed to most of the Boards and Commissions and the County and Municipal Government. These include the Board of Education, the Board of Health, Savannah Transit Authority, Savannah Housing Authority, the Bacon Park Authority, the Governing Board of the Family and Children Services and others.

Active Organizations

There are at least two organizations in the City of Savannah who have concerned themselves with the question of voter registration. They are the Savannah Branch of the NAACP and the Chatham County Crusade for Voters.

The registration office is open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and recently the Board of Registrars has opened registration offices in outlying communities during working hours. There has been pressure placed upon the Board of Registrars to provide centers of registration in outlying areas in evening hours so that all of the citizens will have an opportunity to register. There are approximately 55,000 registered voters, 17,000 of whom are Negroes.

We feel that our community is moving toward a fuller citizenship participation in the affairs of government. This is not to say that we do not have some degree of apathy on the part of Negroes. We constantly stress the fact that all elections are important and we intend to drive home to our Negro citizens the

fact that it is a civic duty and responsibility to vote in all elections.

Respectfully submitted,

POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE
SAVANNAH BRANCH NAACP

Mercedes A. Wright
Curtis V. Cooper
E. J. Joseph
C. H. Gadsden, Chairman

March 11, 1966

Mr. E. H. Gadsden
Attorney and Counselor-At-Law
458½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia

Dear Mr. Gadsden:

We are in receipt of your proposal of February 28, 1966. We are delighted to learn that the Savannah Branch of the NAACP is interested in beginning a voter registration project. However, our agreement with Mr. W. C. Patton, Voter Registration Director for the NAACP, stipulates that a copy of all Voter Registration Proposals from the NAACP branches be forwarded to his office. Please forward a copy of your proposal to him, so that his files will be up-to-date.

The Voter Education Project is giving every consideration to your request for funds to implement a program of voter registration. Within the next few days you will be hearing from us. We sincerely appreciate your interest and we shall strive to assist you in your voter efforts.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO/mmj
CC: Mr. W. C. Patton

From the Desk of
W. C. PATTON

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March 17, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan, Esquire

This is to inform you that I have received over the signature of Mr. E. H. Gadsden, Esquire, a copy of the Savannah Branch Voter Registration Proposal.

It is a question in my mind whether the total budget requested will be approved.

I believe, however, that you will grant a sufficient amount to do a tangible job.

1630 North 4th Avenue
Room 407
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Mr. Vernon Jordan, Esquire
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta,
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April 11, 1966

Mr. E. H. Gadsden
Attorney at Law
458½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

Dear Mr. Gadsden:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Savannah Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct voter registration in Chatham County. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $ 2,500.00 for a period of ten weeks, to run from April 18 to June 20, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to ten weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a) Direct @ $ 35.00 per week	$ 350.00
b) Coordinator @ $ 25.00 per week	250.00
c) Secretary @ $ 25.00 per week	250.00
d) Office Rent	62.50
e) Transportation	500.00
f) Supplies	150.00
g) Postage	37.50
h) Publicity	150.00
i) Precinct captains 5 @ $ 10.00 per week	500.00

j) Sound Truck for 10 days @ 20.00 per day 200.00

k) Sound Truck Operator @ 5.00 per day 50.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program, a copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Monday of each week. This peport is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and your officers of your project should read these carefully, and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit monthly narrative reports detailing your activities. These reports should set forth the following: a) areas visited, b) persons consulted, c) meetings, d) problems encountered, if any, with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Mrs. Barbara Patterson, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

cc: W. C. Patton

April 19, 1966

Mr. E. H. Gadsden
Attorney at Law
458½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

RE: VEP 6--31

Dear Mr. Gadsden:

Vernon Jordan's letter to you of April 11, 1966, mentions the research reports the Voter Education Project requires of the Savannah Branch, NAACP, under your grant to conduct voter registration April 18 to June 20, 1966.

I am enclosing with this letter a copy of the form which we wish your office to fill in and return to us twice a month. Please do not send us forms filled out be several voter registration workers covering different times worked. Instead, we suggest that one of the project personnel collect from the workers their records of persons reached by canvass, taken to register, etc., and total them on one sheet to be sent to us. A supply of these forms is being sent to you under seperate cover for use by workers in the field. It is of vital importance that the figures submitted to us be actual numerical count and not estimates.

Since your program became operative yesterday, we should receive the first of these reporting forms on about May 5, and thereafter on about May 19, June 2, June 16, and June 27 for the duration of the program.

In addition to the statistical reporting, we require from you a minimum of two narrative reports which set forth in detail the organization, methods, and results of your drive. It would be best if the first of these was sent about mid-way in the current program, on about May 18, and

and was in the nature of a progress report. The second should come at the conclusion and be an evaluation of the whole program. Both should include samples of any printed materials used. And neither should be construed as limiting the amount of reporting you send us. We are hopeful, indeed, that the flexibility will permit you to encourage persons who may not have written much before to report their experiences, and I wonder if in the case of your program it might not be useful to hear directly from the precinct captains. As complete reporting as you are able to provide will enable both you and VEP to plan well for the future.

We wish you success and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Barbara Patterson
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

E. H. GADSDEN
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW
458½ WEST BROAD STREET
SAVANNAH, GA. 31401

TELEPHONE ADAMS 6-9987

April 20, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., Dircetor
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Enclosed herewith you will find the following:

1. Copy of signature card from The Carver State Bank of Savannah, Georgia, 918 Montgomery Street.

2. Deposit Slips for the above stated bank.

We will be drawing checks on this account as of Monday, April 25, 1966, so an early deposit will be greatly appreciated.

Best wishes and kindest personal regards.

Yours very truly,

E. H. Gadsden

E. H. Gadsden

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April 21, 1966

The Carver State Bank
Savannah , Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $500.00, to be deposited to the account of Voter Education Fund, Savannah Branch, NAACP, Savannah, Georgia.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosure

cc: Mr. E. H. Gasden
Mr. W. C. Patton

Mr. E. H. Gadsden
Attorney at Law
458½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

Dear Mr. Gadsden:

Enclosed are the following:

a) Copy of the deposit slip indicating amount deposited to your account at the Carver State Bank.

b) Copy of letter of transmittal,

c) Cash voucher forms, and

d) Weekly Report forms.

We wish for your program every success.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosures

cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

THE CARVER STATE BANK

918 MONTGOMERY STREET
SAVANNAH, GEORGIA

L. D. PERRY, PRESIDENT

DR. R. W. MOORE, V. PRES. - CHAIRMAN BOARD

April 22, 1966

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street,N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Attn: Mr.Thaddeus Oliver
Administrative Aide

Dear Mr. Olive:

We acknowledge your check in the amount of $500.00 for deposit to the account of Voter Education Fund, Savannah Branch,NAACP,Savannah,Georgia.

It is a pleasure to have you join our many friends of this bank. For continued service,

Verytruly yours,

THE CARVER STATE BANK

L.D. Perry
President

CC: Mr.E.H. Gadsden

National Association For the Advancement of Colored People
Savannah Branch
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

April 30, 1966

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Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Enclosed, you will find a financial report covering the period April 18-29, 1966 for the first two weeks of the Voter Education Project of the Savannah Branch, NAACP. Since we received our funds late, we beleive you will understand why we have combined these reports.

We interpret the instructions in your letter of April 11, to Mr. Gadsden to mean, that petty cash vouchers should be submitted for all disburements not made by check. If we are wrong about this in any way, please let us know.

Any suggestions which you may have that will improve our reports will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Curtis V. Cooper

Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah NAACP Voter Education Project

cc; Attorney E. H. Gadsden

May 3, 1966

Mr. Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah NAACP Voter Education Project
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

Dear Mr. Cooper:

Enclosed you will find the following :

a) Our letter to The Carver State Bank transmitting funds.

b) Weekly reporting forms.

c) Duplicate deposit slip.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Oliver
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosures

May 3, 1966

The Carver State BAnk
Savannah, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find our check in the amount of $312.20 to be deposited in the account of Voter Education Fund Savannah Branch, NAACP.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosure

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
Savannah Branch
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

May 7, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Oliver
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Oliver:

Enclosed you will find our financial report for the week ending May 6, 1966.

Sincerely yours,

Curtis V. Cooper

Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project

cc; Attorney E. H. Gadsden

May 9, 1966

Mr. Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah NAACP Voter Education Project
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

Dear Mr. Cooper:

In compliance with the provisions of our guidelines, we are forwarding a copy of your Bank Reconciliation as of May 4, 1966.

It is our sincere wish that your program is indeed successful, and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
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May 12, 1966

The Carver State Bank
Savannah, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find our check in the amount of $172.00 to be deposited to the account of the Voter Education Fund Savannah Branch, NAACP.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

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Enclosure

May 12, 1966

Mr. Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah NAACP Voter Education Project
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

Dear Mr. Cooper:

Enclosed you will find the following:

a) Copy of our letter to The Carver State Bank transmitting funds.

b) Copy of the deposit slip.

c) Weekly reporting forms.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosures

PROGRESS REPORT OF THE VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

OF

THE SAVANNAH BRANCH, NAACP

SUBMITTED BY:

Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project
Savannah, Georgia

May 19, 1966

PROGRESS REPORT OF THE VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

OF

THE SAVANNAH BRANCH, NAACP

BACKGROUND

When our project began on April 18, 1966, there were approximately 17,000 Negroes registered to vote. This represented about 30% of the total electorate of this county. Since the Negro population is about 40% of the total, we consider 30% of the electorate too low.

Except for the NAACP and the Chatham County Crusade For Voters, the Negro leadership in our county is completely conservative. Negroes have historically, waited on some emotional issue to arouse them, before they would register and vote in appreciable numbers. This was illustrated in the 1964 Presidential election, when approximately 75% of the registered Negroes voted for President Johnson, in order to defeat his opponent who voted against the 1964 Civil Rights Act. Veteran observers believe, this was the best showing the Negro community has ever made in Chatham County.

In the past, various techniques have been used in getting Negroes registered. In fact, it is nearly impossible to devise new techniques that have not been used. Therefore, our program reflects old techniques, some refined techniques, and some new ones.

BASIC ORGANIZATION

Our project is organized under the Political Action Committee of the Savannah NAACP. We have a director, who is responsible for budgeting, programming, supervising, and directing the entire project; a coordinator, who is responsible for supervising precinct captains, organizing precincts, churches, clubs, sororities, fraternities, other community organizations, and keeping our program flowing smoothly; a secretary with normal secretarial duties; five precinct captains who are responsible for soliciting unregistered citizens at the precinct level; and one salaried transportation worker, who is available during registration hours to provide transportation for persons requiring it. The duties of our workers are flexible, and may change periodically, depending on existing conditions.

In addition, we have the following volunteers: A speakers bureau, transportation committee, precinct captains and a telephone committee.

METHODS

In order to start at the heart of our problem, we obtained from County Officials population figures which showed the number of Negroes in each precinct, the number registered to vote, and the number eligible. From this information, we were able to closely estimate the number of unregistered Negroes in each precinct. We decided to attack unregistered voters in every precinct, but, we also decided to devote more of our time to the precincts showing the highest number of unregistered Negroes above 1,000. Using this method we arrived at seven precincts out of 61, with a total number of 12,212 unregistered eligible Negroes. These seven precincts were given priority, and ranked 1, 2, etc. in decending order (number one being the precinct with the largest number of unregistered Negroes).

We began our attack in precinct #1, which surrounds the local House of Prayer and Jehovah Witness Temple. This precinct contains a large number of public welfare recipients, and many of those who live in this precinct are not interested in politics.

We sent speakers to the churches, distributed leaflets and sent in our precinct workers to canvass and sell the inhabitants on voter registration. The precinct workers recorded the names of those who admitted to being unregistered, and submitted the names to our office. Transportation was provided for those persons needing our assistance. The transportation workers were instructed to enter the registration office with the candidates for registration, record the names of those registered, or the reason they were rejectedand return the records to our office. We are now working on the third priority precinct using this technique.

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In addition, we have been concentrating on the students in the local high schools who are 17½ years old or older. The County Board of Registrars, was requested to allow the roving registrar to visit each high school, on a date that was satisfactory with all persons involved. We solicited, and received the support of every principal in this effort. In fact, many of the students who were reluctant to register were lectured by their principals. We have not completed our work in the high schools, but we have already experienced great success.

Another special method used by our project, was to bring the roving registrar to a centralized location within the various precincts, during late evening hours (5:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.). We had our first experience with this method on May 11, in the precinct ranked #2. On May 9, we distributed leaflets and started radio spot announcements. These announcements gave advance notice of the time and date of the event. The radio announcements continued throughout the evening of May 11. On the evening of the affair, we sent in our precinct captains and several volunteers from the Savannah State College Chapter of the NAACP. They were instructed to canvass the area and urge those who were unregistered to immediately do so. Our transportation workers were also sent into the precinct to give whatever assistance would be required of them. This method worked very well, and we intend to use it frequently in the future. In fact, we have been assured that the services of the roving registrar will be available for several more evening periods.

On a community wide basis, we have appealed to the local ministerial alliance for assistance, to the public through newspapers, radio spot announcements, a weekly 30 minute radio broadcast, by sending speakers to 25 churches, and through distributing leaflets.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. 660 high school students registered
2. 88 adults registered during one evening (5:00 to 9:00 P.M) registration
3. 362 persons registerd through block canvass methods and general appeal
4. A total registration of 1,110 individuals through May 16, 1966

PROBLEMS

One of our main problems has been apathy among our people. It appears to be more prevalent in the neighborhood surrounding the local House of Prayer and Jehovah Witness Temple. Our precinct captains reported that the people of this area were reluctant to talk about becoming registered. Hard-core cases have been referred to the more experienced leadership in our project.

Other problems we have encountered are:

1. We have not been able to rely on enough people with the ability and energy to do our daily canvassing. Many of our people are retired.
2. We have not had the full cooperation of the clergy.
3. Professional groups have not responded to our appeal in good numbers.
4. We are having difficulty convincing many people that they will not have difficulty registering.
5. We have not been able to secure the number of volunteer personnel that we need.

PLANS

1. To intensify our daily precinct canvassing

2. To intensify our late evening registration schedule

3. To achieve 100% registration of the membership at every church

4. To continue our radio and newspaper promotion

5. To arrange a Saturday canvass in our priority precincts, and encourage those unregistered to become registered by going to a centralized location within the precinct to the roving registrar. We have been assured of the participation of the Savannah State College Chapter of NAACP, some ministers, many high school students of the Youth Council, and adults. Our sound truck will move through the entire day announcing the location of the deputy registrar. Radio and newspaper advertisement will play up the occassion in advance.

6. To continue our appeal to the general community through every means available.

7. To arrange for the roving registrar to visit Savannah State College campus for several days. There are more than 600 local students in attendence, many of them (according to reports) are not registered to vote.

CONCLUSION

We have not had the success in our project that we anticipated, but we are making gains. Our greatest rewards have come from our evening registration efforts and from the local high schools. Our planned Saturday canvas should prove very successful. Every effort is being made to make our project more successful.

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
Savannah Branch
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

May 21, 1966

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Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Enclosed, please find the following: (1) our financial report for the week ending May 20, 1966, (2) our voter registration report covering the period May 6 through May 20, 1966.

Very truly yours,

Curtis V. Cooper

Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project

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Enclosures

May 26, 1966

Mr. Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah NAACP Voter Education Project
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

Dear Mr. Cooper:

Enclosed is a copy of our letter of transmittal, indicating amount deposited to your account at The Carver State Bank of Georgia

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

TO/pf
Encls:

May 26, 1966

The Carver State Bank
Savannah, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $206.00 to be deposited to the account of the Voter Education Fund Savannah Branch.

Also enclosed is deposit slip indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Curtis V. Cooper

Savannah Branch
National Association For The Advancement Of Colored People
121 4½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia

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JUN 1 1966

May 28, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Please be advised that the account of the Savannah Branch NAACP Voter Education Fund in the Carver State Bank of Savannah, has not been reimbursed for expenditures of $230.97 for the week ending May 13, 1966.

We received today a duplicate copy of the deposit slip reimbursing our account in the amount of $206. for expenditures for the week of May 20, 1966. We are currently writing checks on the $206.00 deposited, for expenses occuring in the week ending May 27, 1966.

We are requesting that an additional deposit be made to our account immediately, in the amount of $230.97, which would be reimbursement for expenditures made for the week of May 13, 1966. This would enable us to take care of current obligations at the end of this week.

Sincerely,

Curtis V. Cooper

Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project

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Agency Savannah Branch NAACP

Grant Number 66-31

Bank Reconciliation as of May 31, 1966

Bank Carver State Bank Account Number

1. Balance per Bank Statement 10.33

2. Add Deposits in Transit 206 —

3. Total (1 plus 2) 216.33

4. Deduct checks outstanding:

No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount
59	10.00	74	25.00		
64	12.00	75	25.00		
67	10.00				
68	10.00				
69	10.00				
70	10.00				
71	10.00				
72	15.00				
73	4.00				

Total Checks Outstanding - end of month 141.00

5. Adjusted bank balance (3 minus 4) 75.33

6. Balance per weekly Reports 78.36

7. Difference between 5 and 6, if any 3.03

8. Explanation of difference Service Charges not recorded on Weekly.

Prepared by [illegible]

Savannah Branch
National Association For The Advancement Of Colored People
1214¼ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia

June 1, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Enclosed, please find our financial report for the week ending May 27, 1966.

Sincerely yours,

Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project

CVC/cll

Enclosure

Savannah Branch
National Association For The Advancement Of Colored People
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia

June 4, 1966

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JUN 6 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

The Carver State Bank of Savannah informed us yesterday that the Voter Education Fund of the Savannah Branch, NAACP was overdrawn by nearly $100.00. They also informed us that the $206.00 which Mr. Olive indicated in his letter of May 27 had been sent to Carver State Bank, never arrived there.

Since we have made many outstanding financial committments, this situation has somewhat disturbed us, and our program is being affected by it.

Is it possible for you to determine for us what has happened? Can we cooperate with you in any way in solving this problem?

We will certainly be grateful to you for whatever you can do. Please let us hear from you soon.

Very truly yours,

Curtis V. Cooper

Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project

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Savannah Branch
National Association For The Advancement Of Colored People
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia

June 8, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Enclosed, please find our financial report for the week ending June 3, 1966.

Sincerely yours,

Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

Savannah Branch
National Association For The Advancement Of Colored People
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia

June 6, 1966

RECEIVED
JUN 8 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan:

We apologize for our letter of June 4, 1966, which indicated that the Carver State Bank had not received your May 24, deposit of $206.00. The Carver Bank apologized to us today for having credited your deposit to some other account. We certainly do regret this unnecessary mistake.

The bank still indicates however, that our account has not been reimbursed for $230.97, our expenditures for the week ending May 13, 1966. We are still hoping that you will be able to help us on this item.

Again, we apologize for the error and we hope that this will not occur in the future.

Sincerely yours,

Curtis V. Cooper

Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Voter Education Project
Savannah Branch, NAACP

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June 7, 1966

Mr. Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah NAACP Voter Education Project
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

Dear Mr. Cooper:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited to your account, b) copy of deposit slip indicating same, and copy of deposit slip indicating amount deposited and received by the Carver State Bank, dated May 24, 1966, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

June 7, 1966

The Carver Bank
Savannah, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $422.00, to be deposited to the account of The Savannah Branch, NAACP and Voter Education Project, Savannah, Georgia

Also enclosed are deposit slips.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

cc: Mr. Curtis V. Cooper

TO

Savannah Branch
National Association For The Advancement Of Colored People
1214½ West Broad St.
Savannah, Georgia

June 10, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr
Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Enclosed, please find the following: (1) our financial report for the week ending June 10, 1966, (2) our voter registration report covering the period May 20 through June 4, 1966.

Very truly yours,

Curtis V. Cooper

Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

June 13, 1966

Mr. Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah NAACP Voter Education Project
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

Dear Mr. Cooper:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited to your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant'

TO/pf
Encls:

June 13, 1966

The Carver State Bank
Savannah, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $316.00 to be deposited to the account of the Voter Education Fund Savannah Branch. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Curtis V. Cooper

June 15, 1966

Mr. Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah NAACP Voter Education Project
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

Dear Mr. Cooper:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited to your account, b) copy of deposit slip and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

June 15, 1966

The Carver State Bank
Savannah, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $183.00 to be deposited to the account of the Voter Education Fund Savannah Brance. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Curtis V. Cooper

June 15, 1966

Mr. Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah NAACP Voter Education Project
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

Dear Mr. Cooper:

In compliance with the provisions of our guidelines, we are enclosing a copy of your Bank Reconciliation as of May 31, 1966.

We wish for your program every success, and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosure

TO

Savannah Branch
National Association For The Advancement Of Colored People
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia

June 18, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Enclosed, please find our financial report for the week ending June 17, 1966.

Sincerely yours,

Curtis V. Cooper

Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project

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National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
Savannah Branch
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

June 21, 1966

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Mr. Vernon E. Jordon, Jr., Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordon:

This will confirm the agreement reached between you and Attorney E. H. Gadsden over the telephone June 20, to continue our Voter Education Project beyond June 20, until such time as all the funds provided in our original grant are used.

We expect our project to continue through July 20, by using the remaining funds in our grant and by using funds from other sources.

To date, we have registered more than 2,000 persons, and we hope to increase this figure considerably during the final weeks of our effort.

We are extremely happy with the excellent cooperation we have received from you and your staff and we look forward to greater things in the future.

With every good wish for continued success in your great work, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Curtis V. Cooper

Curtis V. Cooper, Director
Savannah Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project

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June 22, 1966

Mr. Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah NAACP Voter Education Project
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

Dear Mr. Cooper:

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to have your proposal in our files. I am well aware of the substantial roll played by you in preparing this proposal, and wish to express my deep gratitude for your cooperation.

On Friday, June 24 I will be in Savannah, Georgia to get better acquainted with you and your project. We look forward to a mutual, pleasant, and profitable day.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

June 22, 1966

The Carver State Bank
Savannah, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $204.00 to be deposited to the account of the Voter Education Fund Savannah Branch. Also emclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Curtis V. Cooper

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June 22, 1966

Mr. Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah NAACP Voter Education Project
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

Dear Mr. Cooper:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited to your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

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National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
Savannah Branch
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

June 24, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Please find enclosed our financial report for the week ending June 24, 1966 and our registration report covering the period June 4-18, 1966.

Sincerely yours,

Curtis V. Cooper

Curtis V. Cooper, Director
Savannah Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project

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Enclosures 2

June 27, 1966

Mr. Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah Branch, NAACP Voter
Education Project
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

Dear Curtis:

This brief note to thank you for sharing with me my brief visit to your project. The tour was most informative.

The Project cannot, at this time, honor your request for supplementary funds for two reasons: 1) the limited amount of funds on hand, 2) our desire to put some funds in every community in the South. Savannah has had at least some funds, while other areas in Georgia have had none. I am sure you understand.

As you wind up your program, at your earliest possible convenience, a full report on your program would be appreciated. This of course, as you know, is in keeping with our guidelines.

Thank you once again for everything.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
Savannah Branch
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

July 2, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Enclosed, please find our financial report for the week ending July 1, 1966.

Sincerely yours,

Curtis V. Cooper

Curtis V. Cooper, Director
Savannah Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
Savannah Branch
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

July 11, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Sir:

Enclosed, please find our financial report for the week ending July 8, 1966.

Sincerely yours,

Curtis V. Cooper

Curtis V. Cooper, Director
Savannah Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure 1

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
Savannah Branch
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

July 12, 1966

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Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Thadd:

Please accept this tardy reply to your letter of June 27 regarding your recent visit with us. We thank you for coming and we regret that you could not stay with us longer. It was real good to get to know you.

We expect to close our operation here in about two weeks. We are continuing to operate with a skeleton staff in an effort to register as many persons as possible before July 25. If you could furnish our account at the Carver State Bank with the final deposit from our grant, we would proceed to pay all of our remaining bills and prepare to close.

Again, we thank you for visiting with us and we appreciate your interest in our program.

Very sincerely yours,

Curtis

Curtis V. Cooper, Director
Savannah Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project

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July 15, 1966

The Carver State Bank
Savannah
Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $183.90 to be deposited to the account of the Voter Education Fund Savannah Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

CC: Mr. Curtis V. Cooper

July 15, 1966

Mr. Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah NAACP Voter Education Project
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

Dear Curtis:

We are sending you one-half of the balance of your grant this week, and next week we will send the balance.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 22, 1966

Mr. Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia

Dear Mr. Curtis:

Pursuant to my letter of July, please find enclosed a copy of the deposit slip, as the final installment on your VEP Grant.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 22, 1966

The Carver State Bank
Savannah, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $183.00 to be deposited to the account of the Savannah Branch, NAACP, Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Curtis V. Cooper

July 22, 1966

Mr. Curtis V. Cooper
Director
Savannah Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project
1214½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia

Dear Mr. Cooper:

Pursuant to my letter of July, please find enclosed a copy of the deposit slip, as the final installment on your VEP Grant.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

8 December 1966

Mr. Curtis V. Cooper
Savannah Branch, NAACP
1214½ West Borad Street
Savannah, Georgia

Dear Mr. Cooper:

As the end of 1966 approaches we are attempting to close our files for the year. Our files show that we have not received the Narrative Reports for April and June.

We would appreciate hearing from you as soon as possible so that we will have an accurate record of your project. These reports are our only means of assessing and evaluating the Voter Education Projects, and are needed in order to compile our final report.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

Southern [illegible], Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. [illegible] ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
522-8764

PAUL ANTHONY
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

October 10, 1967

Mr. Curtis V. Cooper
1214½ West Broad Street
Savahhah, Georgia

Dear Cooper:

In 1966, the Voter Education Project made a grant to Savannah Branch, NAACP

1214½ West Broad Street, Savannah, Georgia.

In view of the fact that this account is inactive, it becomes necessary for us to close out this account. Our records indicate that you have a balance in the bank, The Carver State Bank, in the amount of $ 212.80. Please return said balance ($ 212.80) to the Voter Education Project immediately.

If we can be of further service to you in getting this matter cleared up, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm

cc:

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

TWENTY WEST FORTIETH STREET • NEW YORK, N. Y. 10018 • BRyant 9-1400

Please direct reply to:
W. C. Patton
Associate Director
Voter Registration

1630 NORTH FOURTH AVENUE
ROOM 407
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA 35203
PHONE 322-0708

March 14, 1966

Rec'd 3-15-66

Mr. Vernon Jordan
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Attached herewith is a proposal from the Thomasville, Georgia Branch of the NAACP conducting a Voter Registration Campaign during the months of April and May. This proposal have our approval. Lokking over my copy of your letter to Mr. Wilkins, I did not find the Sumter County Branch listed. It was the first branch proposal submitted to your office. I trust that early and favorable consideration can be given to York, Alabama proposal.

We have been looking forward with great anticipation to a receipt of duplicate deposit slip funds for program development, but have not been successful in receiving it.

I hope to see you in Mobile over the weekend.

Yours truly,

W. C. Patton

W. C. Patton

WCP/lw

Enclosure

Approved 3-14-66
SVCB

PROPOSAL FOR THE THOMAS COUNTY, GEORGIA BRANCH OF THE NAACP

KIND OF PROGRAM:

We propose to conduct a voter registration drive in Thomas County, Georgia.

NEED FOR PROGRAM:

The last census revealed that there were 14,187 Negro citizens in Thomas County. It is estimated that 6,012 would be eligible to vote if registered. In 1962 there were only 1,883 Negro citizens registered to vote in Thomas County out of a total registration of 10,349.

There are 12 voting precincts in Thomas County. We attach a schedule showing the registration by precinct in 1964 and the breakdown by race in 1962.

There has been no organized voter registration drive in our county since 1962, although there has been some increase in Negro registration.

There were 9,558 votes cast in Thomas County in the 1964 general election. It is estimated that approximately 2,000 or slightly more than 20% were Negro. The percentage of Negro population in the county is 41.4 % and the percentage of Negro voters can and should be increased accordingly.

GOALS:

Our goal is to register every eligible Negro. We hope to register not less than 5,000 new voters.

METHODS:

We will set up a committee in each precinct in the county. These committees will be composed of persons who know their area and the persons who live in the area. Our workers will have copies of the voters list. They will check the list for the names of all eligible persons and contact those not on the list.

We will compile a list of eligible persons not registered and contact them by mail, telephone and personally. Our workers will cover the city block by block and street by street. The county sections will be covered road by road.

We will have a central office in Thomasville where our records will be kept and regular meetings will be held.

WHERE:

It is our plan to cover each precinct in Thomas County.

WHO:

Mr. Curtis Thomas, 1105 Wright Street, Thomasville, will be the General Chairman and Director. Mr. D. L. Inman, 1507 South Street, Thomasville, will be chairman of the Thomasville precinct. Mr. Rudolph Elzy, 148 Augusta Avenue, Thomasville, will be the treasurer. We are working on our pther personnel and expect to have the list completed soon.

COST:

We expect the cost to run approximately $ 2,990.00 . See budget attached.

TIME:

We expect to complete our drive within 60 days.

BACKGROUND:

The relations between the races in Thomas County have been above average when compared to similar cities. We estimate that 2,000 Negroes voted in the last presidential election. Mr. Elijah Hill, Jr., a Negro candidate for the city commissioner in the December 1965 election, made an excellent showing. Mr. Washington Virgil, a Negro candidate for the school board, received a good vote. Since this race, Mr. Hill has been appointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals of the City of Thomasville. Mr. Johnny Williams, a Negro, holds an appointive office as a member of the City Board of Registrars.

Prospective voters may register at the tax-collectors office every week day from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. and on Saturdays from 9 A.M. to 12 noon.

We believe that most of our Negro citizens want to have a part in their government and will welcome a chance to become participating citizens.

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT (NAACP)

PROPOSED BUDGET

Period APRIL&MAY

Place: THOMASVILLE-COUNTY, GEORGIA Date: MARCH 9, 1966

Salaries - Professional	$400.00			
Clerical	260.00			
Travel	175.00			
Transportation	1200.00			
Office Rent	50.00			
Tele. & Tele.	100.00			
Publicity & Promotion	175.00			
Office Supplies	150.00			
Printing Supplies	200.00			
Furniture & Fixtures	75.00			
General (Lump Sums)	125.00			
Postage	80.00			
Total	$2,990.00			

Submitted by Curtis Thomas

REGISTERED VOTERS

Thomas County, Ga.

Precinct	No. Registered Voters 1964	No. Registered Voters 1962	
		White	Colored
City of Thomasville	7726	4522	1303
Thomasville District outside city	1828	1136	210
Barwick	174	146	0
Boston	908	506	178
Coolidge	423	315	13
Ellabelle	191	156	1
Meigs	614	501	37
Merrillville	232	145	43
Metcalf	146	92	17
Ochlochnee	568	428	52
Pavo	446	343	9
Ways	179	126	20
		8466	1883

Total colored and white 1962 10,349

THOMASVILLE GEORGIA BRANCH
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

630½ Fletcher Street
Thomasville, Georgia 31792
912-226-6617

June 7, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Enclosed herewith:

1 (one) Bank Signature Card

1 (one) Deposit Book

1 (one) Deposit Slip

I am looking forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours truly,

Curtis Thomas Sr.

Curtis Thomas, President

CT/qer

Enclosures: Listed Above

June 7, 1966

Mr. Curtis Thomas
Thomasville Branch, NAACP
630½ Fletcher
Thomasville, Georgia

Dear Mr. Thomas:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Thomasville Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a campaign for voter registration in Themasville, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000 for a six week program, to run from June 6 to July 15, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary @ $50.00 per week	$ 300.00
b)	(4) Task Force Workers @ $15.00 per week	360.00
c)	Transportation	150.00
d)	Office Supplies	50.00
e)	Rent	75.00
f)	Printing and Postage	65.00

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A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Wednesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

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Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordah, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

June 13, 1966

Mr. Curtis Thomas
President
Voter Education Project
Thomasville Branch, NAACP
630½ Fletcher Street
Thomasville, Georgia 31792

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited to your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

June 14, 1966

Commercial Bank
Thomasville
Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $250.00 to be deposited to the account of the Voter Education Project, Thomasville Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Curtis Thomas

June 22, 1966

Commercial Bank
Thomasville
Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $180.00 to be deposited to the account of the Voter Education Project, Thomasville Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Curtis Thomas

June 22, 1966

Mr. Curtis Thomas
Thomasville Branch, NAACP
630½ Fletcher
Thomasville, Georgia

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited to your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

June 23, 1966

Mr. Curtis Thomas
Thomasville Branch, NAACP
630½ Fletcher
Thomasville, Georgia

Dear Mr. Thomas:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and <u>not by estimate</u>.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program began June 6, we will need reports from you on June 20, July 4, and July 18.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you on July 20, after your program has been completed. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or

from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

THOMASVILLE BRANCH
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT FOR COLORED PEOPLE
630½ Fletcher Street
Thomasville, Georgia 31792

June 27, 1966

Mr. Thaddus Olive
Administrative Aide
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forstyh Street N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed is the financial report sheets plus receipts of the Thomasville Branch NAAPC.

Yours truly,

Curtis Thomas

Curtis Thomas

June 29, 1966

Commercial Bank
Thomasville,
Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $181.00 to be deposited to the account of the Knoxville Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeul Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Curtis Thomas

June 29, 1966

Mr. Curtis Thomas
Thomasville Branch, NAACP
630½ Fletcher Street
Thomasville, Georgia

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
JOSEPHINE WILKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT
RUFUS E. CLEMENT, VICE-PRESIDENT
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JOSEPH HAAS, COUNSEL
PAUL ANTHONY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Southern R[illegible] Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W[illegible] 30303

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

7-7-66

Dear Sir:

I am interested in several problems as relate to voter registration and the Voter Education Project.

Firstly, what is going well in your project, and what techniques are most effective in registration? The VEP needs this information to advise other groups just starting their projects.

Secondly, how many students do you have working, if any, and what kind of job have they done?

Thirdly, concerning newly registered voters, do you conduct any sort of voter education after registration? Do you think such education is necessary? How do the newly registered voters fit into the political picture in your county?

Finally, what are the most difficult problems you have faced in your work, and what suggestions do you have for the future?

I plan to visit your project some time next week, to discuss this with you and as many field workers as you think necessary. If possible, I would like to spend some time out in the field with your workers, and more important, talking to the people who are being registered.

I look forward to meeting you.

Yours,

William R. Beardslee
Student Field Director

WRB:nm

July 11, 1966

Mr. Curtis Thomas
Thomasville Branch, NAACP
630½ Fletcher
Thomasville, Georgia

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Commercial Bank of Thomasville Georgia, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 11, 1966

Mr. Curtis Thomas
Thomasville Branch, NAACP
630½ Fletcher
Thomasville, Georgia

Dear Mr. Thomas:

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Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 12, 1966

Commercial Bank
Thomasville
Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $232.00 to be deposited to the account of the Voter Education Project . Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

7-14-66

VJ

Present balance on this grant is $157.00 which I'm sending today.

TO

THOMASVILLE BRANCH

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

630½ FLETCHER STREET

THOMASVILLE, GEORGIA 31792

226- 6617
July 13, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

The Thomasville Branch of NAACP would for you to extend our VEP to the 25th of July. If this extension is possible it will be very much appreciated as this extra week is needed to canvass out of Thomas County more. Brook County and Grady County are two of the main areas.

The People in Barwick & Pavo are divided into two counties, Brooks and Thomas. Due to this division, some of the people are left out because we are not allowed to cross the County Line

Yours truly,

Curtis Thomas

Curtis Thomas

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

Wiley A. Branton, Project Director

BUDGET REVISION Thomasville Branch, NAACP

VEP 66-58 Report due Wednesday

6 Weeks June 6 to July 15, 1966

Director @ $50 per week	$300.00	
(4) Task Force Workers @ $15 pwe	360.00	
Tansportation	150.00	
Office Supplies	50.00	
Rent	75.00	
Printing and Postage	65.00	
		1000.00

July 15, 1966

Mr. Curtis Thomas
Thomasville Branch, NAACp
630½ Fletcher Street
Thomasville, Georgia

Dear Mr. Thomas:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 13. At this time, I am unable to act upon your request for additional funds; however I have placed your letter on Mr. Jordan's desk. If, after reading it, he has some suggestions, I will be in contact with you.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Voter Education Project, Thomasville Branch, NAACP, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 15, 1966

Commercial Bank
Thomasville
Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $157.00 to be deposited to the account of the Voter Education' Project, Thomasville Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Curtis Thomas

THOMASVILLE BRANCH
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

630½ Fletcher Street
Thomasville, Georgia 31792
226-6617

July 18, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed is the financial reporting sheet and receipts.

Yours truly,

Curtis Thomas

August 16, 1966

Mr. Curtis Thomas
President
Thomasville Branch, NAACP
630½ Fletcher St.
Thomasville, Georgia 31792

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Many thanks for your comprehensive reports, including the one of July 29. I notice that you give as the total number registered by your project 1,263. This is indeed a brilliant and outstanding record.

However, I have not received a statistical report covering the last week or two of your drive. Thus, my records show your total number registered as 861. So all I need from you now is a statistical report on the last phase of your drive.

To repeat, your reports have been among the best we have received. I greatly enjoyed my visit with you a few weeks back. I guess I have spoken about you and your work a thousand times since then. I look forward to having the pleasure of seeing you again soon.

With best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

August 23, 1966

Mr. Curtis Thomas
Thomasville Branch, NAACP
630½ Fletcher St.
Thomasville, Georgia

Dear Curtis:

Many thanks for your letter of August 19. It was my mistake, not yours. I forgot that your drive technically ended July 15, rather than July 25.

It was a splendid thing to keep the drive going until you had more than 1,200 registered. This is the sort of spirit that has made your project, in my opinion, one of our best.

I hope to get down that way again soon. Meanwhile, please give my regards to everyone there.

With best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

September 1, 1966

Mr. Curtis Thomas
Thomasville Branch, NAACP
630½ Fletcher St.
Thomasville, Georgia

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Pursuant to your most recent conversation with Mr. Wall, I am happy to inform you that we are making a supplementary grant in the amount of $500.00 to cover the period September 5, through September 19.

In accordance with our agreement, the grant will cover voter registration in Brooks, Thomas and Colquitt Counties.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, not to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against any political candidate.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) Weekly Report Forms for your weekly reporting.

If you have any questions, please let us know.

Yours truly

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 6, 1966

Commercial Bank
Thomasville
Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $250.00 to be deposited to the account of the Thomasville Branch, NAACP, Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 2, 1966

Commercial Bank
Thomasville
Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $325.00 to be deposited to the account of the Thomasville Branch, NAACP, Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls

September 6, 1966

Mr. Curtis Thomas
Thomasville Branch, NAACP
630½ Fletcher St.
Thomasville, Georgia

Dear Mr. Thomas:

I hope you will find the $500 sufficient to be of some help. Your are thoroughly familiar with our reporting needs, so I will just send you some forms and say no more.

I still plan to get down that way sometime this month or next month, and I look forward to seeing you.

Best of luck in this new undertaking.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

Thomasville Branch
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
630½ Fletcher Street
Thomasville, Georgia
Ph. 226-6617
September 6, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed is the financial report of the Thomasville Branch NAACP.

Yours truly,

Curtis Thomas

Curtis Thomas,
President

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Yours truly,

September 20, 1966

Commercial Bank
Thomasville
Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $250.00 to be deposited to the account of the Voter Education Project, Thomasville, Georbia. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 21, 1966

Mr. Curtis Thomas
Thomasville Branch, NAACP
630½ Fletcher Street
Thomasville, Georgia

Dear Curtis:

We have been hearing some good reports from your efforts, congradulation.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 28, 1966

Mr. Curtis Thomas
Thomasville Branch, NAACP
630½ Fletcher Street
Thomasville, Georgia

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Please complete the enclosed Expense Account Form, and return to me at your earliest convenience.

We appreciate your interest and thank you for coming.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 14, 1966

Mr. Curtis Thomas
Thomasville Branch, NAACP
630½ Fletcher Street
Thomasville, Georgia

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Enclosed are the particulars for the KNOW YOUR RIGHTS Clinic scheduled for October 27, at the Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, 561 Spencer Street, N.W., between Magnolia and Thurmond Streets.

Reservations have been made for you at the Peachtree-Manor Motel, 826 Peachtree Street, N.E.

We are looking forward to a profitable meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 28, 1966

Mr. Curtis Thomas
Thomasville Branch, NAACP
630½ Fletcher Street
Thomasville, Georgia

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Please complete the enclosed Expense Account Form, and return to me at your earliest convenience.

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Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT (NAACP)

PROPOSED BUDGET

Period June & July

Place: Lounds County, Georgia Date: June 7, 1966

Salaries - Professional	250.00
Clerical	250.00
Travel	175.00
Transportation	200.00
Office Rent	50.00
Tele. & Tele.	50.00
Publicity & Promotion	
Office Supplies	20.00
Printing Supplies	50.00
Furniture & Fixtures	
General (Lump Sums)	
Postage	20.00
Total	1.065.00

Submitted by _____

KIND OF PROGRAM:

We propose to conduct a voter registration drive in Lowndes County, Ga.

NEED FOR PROGRAM:

The last census revealed that there were 14,255 Negro citizens in Lowndes County. It is estimated that 5550 would be eligible to vote if registered. In 1962 there were only 1637 Negro citizens registered to vote in Lowndes County out of a total registration of 10533.

There has been no organized voter registration drive in our county since 1962, although there has been some increase in Negro registration.

There were 8547 votes cast in Lowndes County in the 1964 general election. It is estimated that approximately 2547 or slightly more than 20% were Negro. The percentage of Negro population in the county is 41.5 % and the percentage of Negro voters can and should be increased accordingly.

GOALS:

Our goal is to register every eligible Negro. We hope to register not less than 2000 new voters.

METHODS:

We will set up a committee in each precinct in the county. These committees will be composed of persons who know their area and the persons who live in the area. Our workers will have copies of the voters list. They will check the list for the name of all eligible persons and contact those not on the list.

We will compile a list of eligible persons not registered and contact them by mail, telephone and personally. Our workers will cover the city block by block and street by street. The county sections will be covered road by road.

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DR. A. L. LEWIS, Founder
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WEST BAY STATION
Jacksonville, Florida 32203

816 Bunch Street
Valdosta, Ga.
June 8, 1966

Mr. Vernos Gordon
Director of Voters Education Project
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Gordon:

Please find enclosed proposed Budget for the Valdosta and Loundes County area. We know that this is not the proper procedure, but upon the advise of your repesentative Mr. Hubert D. Thomas we are using the same out line that was used in Thomas County. Since time is of the essence and we are anxious to get started with the drive. The registration book closes here July 26, 1966. This means that we have approximately two months to do the job. If further information is needed you can call me collect at 242-5086

Respectfuly yours,

W Harris

Woodrow Harris
Vice President of
Valdost&Loundes
County Voters League

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BUDGET REVISION: ~~Lowndes County Branch, NAACP~~ Valdosta + Lowndes County Voters League

VEP 66- 8 Report due Wednesday

"3Week Crash Program" July 7 to July 26, 1966

(4) Task Force Workers @ $15. per week		$180.00	
Transportation	+20	~~200.00~~	220.00
~~Office Rent~~ Printed matter + materials		50.00	
Supplies	−20	~~70.00~~	50.00
		$500.00	

July 7, 1966

Mr. Woodrow Harris
Vice President
Valdosta & Loundes County Voters League
816 Bunch Street
Valdosta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Harris:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Valdosta & Loundes County Voters League for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in the Valdosta area. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $500 for a three weeks crash program to run from July 7 to July 26, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to three weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

4 Task Force Workers @ $15.00 per week	$180.00
Transportation	220.00
Printed matter and materials	50.00
Supplies	50.00
	$500.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank, the Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program, a copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Wednesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, (b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, (c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, (d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, (e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, (f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/mmj
Enclosure

July 26, 1966

Mr. Woodrow Harris
Vice President
Valdosta Lowndes County Voters League
816 Bunch St.
Valdosta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Harris:

I apologize for taking so long to get this letter to you. We have just held our first 6 month's meeting and it has taking practically all of my time during the last two weeks.

According to the terms of Mr. Jordan's letter of July 7, 1966, your crash registration program is just now ending. We need only two reports from you. One is a statistical report, to be placed on the enclosed form. Please give your exact figures, particularly for the number registered, and not estimated.

The other report is a narrative one. In this report we ask that you provide a general description of your registration program. This should include the number of workers used, techniques employed, and the scope and organization of your campaign. Forms should be included of any printed material you used. Please describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and us to evaluate your program and plan future

programs. I want you to pass along any comments made by workers in your program, partically student workers.

Again I apologize in the delay in getting this letter to you, if there are any questions please contact me.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

August 2, 1966

The Citizens and Southern National Bank
Valdosta, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $200.00 to be deposited to the account of the Valdosta and Lowdes County Voters League. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 2, 1966

Mr. Woodrow Harris
President
Valdosta and Lowdes County Voters League
P.O. Box 1193
Valdosta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Harris:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Citizens and Southern National Bank, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encl:

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Voter Education Project
Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations.

1. A separate bank account will be opened and used solely for deposit and disbursement of funds under this grant.

2. Deposit slips and a copy of the signature card on this bank account are furnished to VEP.

3. The bank is instructed to mail all bank statements and cancelled checks to VEP. If this instruction is violated by the bank these documents must be forwarded UNOPENED to VEP.

4. Payments for such purchases or services relevant to the grant are to be made from the above-mentioned bank account and should be made by check whenever possible.

5. Cash expenditures should be kept to a minimum and when they are made are to be supported by vouchers to which receipts and/or invoices (or copies thereof) are attached.

6. Items on vouchers supporting cash expenditures must be broken down to show amount spent for each item; viz,

Right		Wrong	
Office supplies	$5.00	Office supplies and Postage	$5.60
Postage	.60		
Total	$5.60		

7. Vouchers supporting the purchase of advertising or printing should have attached to them samples of such materials when feasible (placards, newspaper ads, bumper stickers, etc.) or exact texts when samples are not possible (as in radio ads and billboards). This is also a research requirement.

8. Personal loans are not to be made from VEP funds nor should payments for activities on non-grant projects be made even when a re-deposit of like amount is intended later.

9. VEP funds are not to be used for the payment of poll tax, under any circumstances, not even in the form of loans.

10. All voided checks, cash vouchers, and supporting receipts, invoices, media samples, and travel expense forms must be attached to a properly filled out weekly report and mailed to VEP each_____. These reports are to be certified by the individual responsible for the project by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the bottom of weekly report.

11. When you make a direct grant to a regional affiliate, detailed expenditures of this direct grant must be supported by this same method of reporting either directly to VEP or through you to VEP.

12. When your regional affiliates make direct grants to local groups detailed expenditures of these direct grants must be supported by this same method of reporting either directly to VEP or through the regional affiliate or through you to VEP.

IN OTHER WORDS (RE 11 and 12) DIRECT GRANTS CANNOT BE MADE TO REGIONAL OR LOCAL GROUPS WITHOUT FULL ACCOUNTING TO VEP FOR THE EXPENDITURES OF THESE DIRECT GRANTS.

13. All reports, vouchers, bank statements, and cancelled checks will be retained by VEP. Should the grantee need access to these records they will be available.

Submit all financial reports to Thaddeus Olive, Jr., Administrative Aide, Voter Project.

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

Wiley A. Branton, Project Director

People's Progressive League

Mr. Amos Whatley

14 Jenkins Street

Barnesville, Georgia

Mrs. W. Williams
Post Office Box 162
Barnesville, Georgia

From Mr. Thomas

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June 2nd,1966.

Southern Reginol Council Inc.
Voters Education Project.
Mr Thaddeus Oliver Administrative Aide.
Room 201 5 Borsyth St.N.W.
Atlanta Ga. 30303.

Dear Mr Oliver.

We recieve your letter and also the guidelines on how to qualify for a grant to help us in our registration campaign. We read them carefully and finds them to be very well set up to protect the finance that is for the help of its purpose. We are sumiting you a form of our full intention.

1. KIND OF PROGRAM) Voters Registration.

2. AREA TO WORK IN) Waycross and Ware County.

3. JUSTIFICATION TO THE NEED OF THE PROGRAM) Seeing that there are so many negroes unregistered and this disqualify them of voting,we feel that this program will able us to get a great deal of then enterested in voying.

4. GOAL) There are aproximatly 2000 or 3000 unregistered and we are aiming at every one and will keep a full record of how many we get .

5. METHOD TO BE USED) Block work with from door to door visiting.hauling those that need to behauled. Recheck where ever necessary.

6. WHERE) The whole of Ware county.

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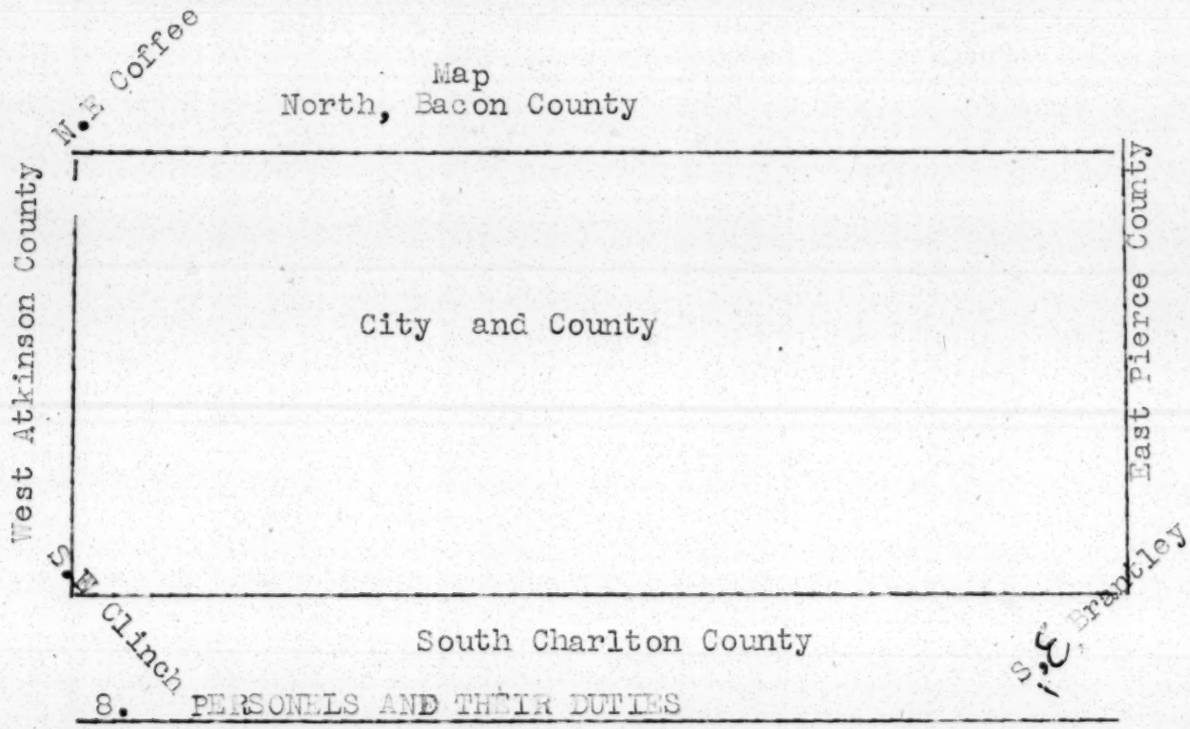
7. POLITICAL AND GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES



8. PERSONELS AND THEIR DUTIES

1 P.B.McCoy President of organization and a transporter.

2 Mr J.N.Adam Chairman of Registration Committee.

3 Mrs Annie B. Graham Secretary of organization.

4 Mrs Viola Adam a transporter.

5 Mrs Edel Mobley a transporter.

6 Mr Philip Lewis a transporter.

7 Mr Esau Johnson a transporter.

8 Mrs Pinkie Burse a transporter.

9 Mrs Carrie Perkin Youth Director.

10 Mr Donald Cutlgr Office Secretary

11 Elder J.E.Ross General program director aranging all

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literatuee for the program, such as street maps, record sheets, cards and what ever is needed.

Youths

1 Miss Joann Hawkins 2 Miss Barbra G.Hand, 3 Miss - Verna G. Holmes. 4 Miss Sandra McPhaul 5 Miss Hellen Hill. 6 Miss Christine Sarvis. 7 Miss Carolyn Walker, 8 Miss Brendadett Sarvis 9 Miss Rosmary William. 10 Patrica Stokes 11 Miss Linda Ann Simon 12 Miss Della Morgan 13 Miss Harriett Gail. 14 Miss Katie Portis 15 Miss Brenda McPherson 16 Miss Janic Welch 17 Miss Wonsene McCartha. Block workers. Now what we mean to do is screen these worker to about 6 adults and 10 youths to do this work.

9. COST) Between $2500 and $3000 Twenty five and thirty hundred dollars. for cars,Cards,'for the file, Paper, Stencils, Telephone servic, Postage stamps and envelopes, Office secretary . and printing.

10 TIME) June 7th to July 26 1966. We are starting on the 7 screening and will intensify the drive just as soon as money is available.

11 BACKGROUND) The present political pictyre looks very bright

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12 VOTED IN LAST ELECTION) Aproximatly 2000 two thous ands.

13 HAVE NEGROES RUN FOR OFFICES) Yes.

14 NEGROES HOLDING APPOINTIVE JOBS) None.

15 REGISTRATION HOURS) From 8 A.M until 5 P.M.

16 CURRENT REGISTRATION FIGURES) Aproximatly 3300.

17 FEELING OF THE COMMUNITY TOWARD FULLER CITIZENSHIP PARTICIPATION) The feeling of the most of our citizens are enterested in becoming first class citizens. As far as the white they preach and teach registering and voting, but there ars so many negroes that have to be fished out and draged to the book.

Now, We thank you for the guidelines and all of the help you can afford us and we will be writing you alont to let you knowing what we are doing.

P.B.Mc Coy President.

Miss Annie B.Graham Secretary.

J. E. Ross,
Elder J.E.Ross Vice President and Communicating Sect.

P.S. As of now send all communication to Mr P.B.Mc Coy 1021 Blackwell Street.

VEP-62

June 9, 1966

Mr. P. B. McCoy
President, Keystone Voters & Civic League
1021 Blackwell Street
Waycross, Georgia

Dear Mr. McCoy:

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We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary $40.00 per week	$ 240.00
b)	(6) Task Force Workers ($ 12.50 per week)	450.00
c)	Office Rent	50.00
d)	Telephone	40.00
e)	Transportation	160.00
f)	Office Supplies	60.00
		$1,000.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to forward all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully, and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of of against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

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June 18,1966.

Southern Reginal Council Inc.
Voters Registration Project.
Room 201 5 Forsyth St, N.W. 30303.
Atlanta Geodgia 30303.

Mr Thaddeus Oliver.

Dear Sir, This come to hand to say we are on the job ,we have been planning a long time to seek help for oud drive. We found out that we had some one that was ready to help if we would help our selves. and that is what we are trying to do. We were a little slow in geting the card ans deposit slips to you. but we were as we had told you wanting to go all out with drive , We are making a report of (30) thirty. We hope to have morer every week. We want to say thank you for the grant and we will do all we can to see that it is used for the best for the people .

We have for our director, Elder J. E. Ross one that has for a long time been enterested in the wellfare of our people. We feel that our whole staff will work with him 100 percent. Again we want to say thank you.

We remain yours for a better America,

P. B. Mc Coy president.
Mrs A, B. Graham Secretary
J.N.Adam Registration Committee Chairman.
Elder J.E.Ross Director and reporter.

J E Ross

TO VEP-62

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Director
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June 21, 1966

Mr. P. B. McCoy
President Keystone Voters and Civic League
1021 Blackwell Street
Waycross, Georgia

Dear Mr. McCoy:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited to your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

June 21, 1966

Southern Bank
Waycross, Georgia 31501

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $350.00 to be deposited to the account of the Keystone Voters League. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. P. B. McCoy

June 21, 1966

VEP-62

Mr. P. B. McCoy, President
Keystone Voters and Civic League
1021 Blackwell Street
Waycross, Georgia

Dear Mr. McCoy:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurage. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program began June 13, we will need reports from you on June 27, July 11, and July 25.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you on July 27, after your program has been completed. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any

obstacles encountered, either from within your program or from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or of importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

June 22, 1966

Mr. P. B. McCoy, President
Keystone Voters & Civic League
1021 Blackwell Street
Waycross, Georgia

Dear Mr. McCoy:

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to have your proposal in our files. I am well aware of the substantial roll played by you in preparing this proposal, and wish to express my deep gratitude for your cooperation.

On Friday, June 24 I will be in Waycross, Georgia to get better acquainted with you and your project. We look forward to a mutual, pleasant, and profitable day.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

913 Daniel Street.
Waycross Ga 31501

Southern Regional Council Inc.
5 Forsyth Street.N.W.
Atlanta Georgia 30303.

Dear Mr Olive.

This come to say that I am sending in my report. I called you you a day or so ago concerning this report. We had some dissatisfaction with the pastor of the church and we had to move. We are just about settled in our new place. It is No 1199 State Street. and we will be glad to see you at any time in our office. Iam sending you a report from June 20-24 I mailed you a report on a plain sheet of paper which was 13th - 17th report. the sum of 30 which I will send in a report on the two weeks sheet, Sir I am tired it is 12,15 P.M.and I am still in the office To get in every thing I had to have I did not unfierstand geting it on the report blank. please be as you are a kind man and except it as I am writing it here.

Postal card Memograph machine and paper,stencils ink. carbon paper,Typewriter Cleaner fluid Typewriter ribbon, filing cabnet,rent and telephoning instaling amount to $65.00 so far I will get this down item by item and the price The office help filed the invoices and I cant find them right now. Please send me some more blanks.

Yours truly
Elder J.E.Ross.

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June 27, 1966

Mr. P. B. McCoy
President
Keystone Voters and Civic League
1021 Blackwell Street
Waycross, Georgia

Dear Mr. McCoy:

This is a brief note to thank you for the time given to me on Friday. The trip was most informational. Please convey to the other members of the Keystone Voters and Civic League my best wishes for a most successful voter registration campaign.

In compliance with your request, we are sending copies of our guidelines. It is indeed wonderful to have your assistance in promoting this program. It is gratifying to know that we are all working for the same goal--register the unregistered.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

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July 1st 1966

Mr Thaddues Olive
Southern Regional Council Inc.
5 Forsyth Street N.W.
Atlanta Georgia.30303.

Dear Mr Olive.

This come to saythat I feel that we are moving along very well. This is our third week. I made my first report on a none institution blank with no expenses atached. this was the week of June 13 to 18. I reported 30. for June 20 tO 25,34 from June 27 through July 1. 50. making a total of 114.

Now Mr Olive, I did not cleare check the Guide lines and I paid the transporter little under but they seem to be satisfified. I made out the check and failed to check it as I shoul because I was in such a hurry to leave the office feeling that I could do a better job in the rural than the young people could, and I mis figured $17,00 dollars short with the project, I will try to make it up in the next checking and I thought I should let you know this. You left me four weekly blanks but in moving in a rush I lost two. I made out a form and sending it in so please except it or I will when I receive blanks will fix it over. I spent Saturday my self in the rural and I contacted a greatly number. I am looking foward to start hauling from the rural Wednesda y July 6. Please send me some more report blanks.

Too. I trust we will stay in touch with one enother that you will teach me how to handle these grant and I will teach these young people because I am nearing my journey's end. Please check all my mistakes and let me know them Thanks.

Yours truly.
J E Ross
Elder J.E.Ross.

P.S. I made out the chech to me and checked what it was for since I was sending you an itimized statement this was O.K.

July 8, 1966

Southern Bank
Waycross, Georgia 31501

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $81.00, to be deposited to the account of the Keystone Voters and Civic League, Waycross, Georgia. Also enclosed are deposit slips.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosure

cc: Mr. P. B. McCoy

July 8, 1966

Mr. P. B. McCoy
President
Keystone Voters and Civic League
1021 Blackwell Street
Waycross, Georgia

Dear Mr. McCoy:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) Weekly Report Forms for your weekly reporting.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

July 12, 1966

Mr. P. B. McCoy
President
Keystone Voters League
1021 Blackwell St.
Waycross, Georgia

Dear Mr. McCoy:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 12, 1966

Southern Bank
Waycross, Georgia 31501

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $98.00 to be deposited on the account of Keystone Voters League. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:
cc: Mr. P. B. McCoy

July 15, 1966

Southern Bank
Waycross
Georgia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $127.00 to be deposited to the account of the Keystone Voters League. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. P. B. McCoy

July 15, 1966

Mr. P. B. McCoy
President Keystone Voters & Civic League
1021 Blackwell St.
Waycross, Georgia

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Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 22, 1966

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Keystone Voters and Civic League
1021 Blackwell St.
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Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 22, 1966

Southern Bank
Waycross, Georgia 31501

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $300.00 to be deposited to the account of the Keystone Voters League. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. P. B. McCoy

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August 3,1966.

RECEIVED
AUG 5 1966

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street N/W.
Atla nta Georgia. 30303.

Mr Thaddues Olive.

This come to say that I am up by the help of God and do hope you and yours are well.Mr Oliver I enjoyed knowing you and the council. I am sending the last work report in. I am not well I have been threating a stroke for the last ten days.Please check this and coreck my errors and let me know them. I want to wokr another year, as far as that matters I am busy ye ar round trying to get my people to how necessary it is to be citizens worth why.

Mr Olive I lost my first week copy but you will the last ones 5th and 6th I am hopeing to be able to attend a meeting in Macon soon , so as you contact progress of life ask God's blessing that I will be able to do more for the cause.I will be in Atlanta on the 18th of the month if I am able to go that far and I would like to come to the office and get you to show me how the reports should be carried out. if you think my material was not permissible for such drive tell me please and tell me what type would be suitable. I have near a hundred and twenty five names of unregistered people that I mean to keep working on and try to get them on the book.

I had a ruff go of it, just as soon as I thought I was off for a smoth sail two of my drivers had to go to the hospital. The SCOPE workers came in and first one thing then the other, but I made it .Thanks for every thing.

Yours truly

J. E. Ross

J.E.Ross.

Recheck OF THE WORK OF THE KEYSTONE VOTERS & CIVIC LEAGUE REGISTRATION DRIVE June 13- July 25

Bailey Heights Cont'd

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Likely Street

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Mosley Street

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August 10, 1966

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TO/pf
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TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. P. B. McCoy

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MEMORANDUM

TO: VERNON JORDAN, ESQUIRE

FROM: W. C. PATTON

PLEASE FIND ATTACHED THE PROPOSAL FOR ALEXANDRIA, LOUISIANA WHICH WE TALKED ABOUT IN MEMPHIS LAST THURSDAY. YOU WILL NOTE IN KEEPING WITH MY STATEMENT, I ADVANCED THEM FIVE HUNDRED ($500.00) DOLLARS FROM MY PERSONAL FUNDS FOR WHICH I AM TO BE REIMBURSED UPON RECEIPT OF THEIR VEP FUNDS.

I WOULD APPRECIATE IMMEDIATE ACTION ON THIS PROPOSAL.

N.A.A.C.P. VOTER REGISTRATION AND LEADERSHIP TRAINING PROJECT PROPOSAL

INTRODUCTION

The passage of the 1964 Civil Rights Bill and the 1965 Voting Rights Bill amounted to a second emancipation and a political Magna Charta. However, these bills are not self implementing. They must be tested functionally by the people they were passed to help, namely, Negroes and other minority groups who are the hapless victims of the two by-products of slavery--segregation and discrimination.

It would seem that Negroes and other minorities would take quick, resolute and affirmative steps to immediately eradicate these political, economic and social disabilities which have plagued them as a cultural hold over from slavery. However, this is not the case.

The subjugation of Negroes and other minorities from one generation after another, has left psychological scars which can only be erased by remedial and curative measures which must be affirmatively put into operation.

Negroes and other minorities as a group have a deep feeling of inferiority which has made them apathetic, reticent and placid in claiming their basic constitutional rights. For example, in Rapides Parish, Louisiana, the eligible Negroes of voting age are roughly over 21,000 or 17 percent of the electorate. But in spite of this only 7,000 are registered, or approximately 30 percent.[1] Fear, both real and imaginary, is the chief deterrent to the Negroes affirmatively asserting constitutional rights.

This mental and psychological block, can, and must be overcome by a program of "Affirmative Citizenship," whereupon the Negro and the other minority groups are taught to believe in himself as a human being. This

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[1] Times Picayune, October 30, 1960

includes their right to vote and to participate in the democratic process.

This program must include professionals and volunteers who will conduct orientation courses in the rights and duties of good citizenship by seeing to it that every eligible Negro and minority groups register and vote, so that they can be propelled into the mainstreams of American life.

KIND OF PROGRAM

Voter registration and leadership training (through meetings, door-to-door talks, youth leadership training, etc.)

Area: The program proposes to serve the entire Rapides Parish area. The voting potential is twenty-one thousand (21,000) and approximately seven thousand (7,000) Negroes are now registered. History of intimidation at the registrar's office dates back as recently as two years ago. Klan harrassment in central Louisiana still exists. There is much apathy and fear among the Negro people caused by experiences encountered from an oppressive white power structure. This results in the need now to concentrate our efforts in order to offset the past.

Goals: This project will endeavour registering as many persons daily as time and service permits. Immediately following the 1965 Voting Rights Bill, the leaders of this parish were successful in registering in the excess of one hundred persons daily. However, due to the lack of funds and manpower, the drive was minimized.

The objectives of this project will be to increase by an appreciable amount, the number of Negroes registered. This project will also attempt to train the youth to become leaders and to assume and effect the voter registration drive.

Finally, this project will under take to increase political awareness in the Negro community and through a rise in registration, encourage Negroes to declare themselves candidates for public office.

Methods: The most potential manpower available are the young people, all of whom are students. A door-to-door canvass is now underway. All of

these young people need money for school and personal expenses. Through materials and pay available as a result of this project grant, the training of these students is now available and this, and future projects, will be accomplished more easily. This drive has also spurred up the N.A.A.C.P. Branch and Youth Council in the parish to the extent that it is felt that more organized groups will be able to carry on the voting drive.

Where: The entire Rapides Parish will be served, especially Ward 1 in Alexandria and the all-Negro precincts 3, 22 and 13; also precincts 1 in Cheneyville and 2 in LeCompte both in Ward 3 will also be concentrated upon.

Who: The program personnel will include a Director, an Assistant Director, one office worker and forty (40) students who will be responsible for canvassing.

The Duties of the Director: He will work on a 36 hour per week basis. His duties will be coordinating the entire program. He is quite familiar with Rapides Parish having himself registered over one thousand persons. He is also able to guide by making assignments to the students who will be responsible for the canvassing. His salary is set at $200 per month.

The Duties of the Assistant Director: Assist the director, assign students to various areas, organize and stimulate youth in full participation in the voter drive program and guide youth activities in community organization and citizenship involvement. This salary is set at $160. monthly.

The Duties of the Full Time Office Personnel: The young lady with this assignment is the Vice President of the N.A.A.C.P. Youth Council. She will work on a 30 hour per week basis. She will be responsible for most of the office work and will check in and out the students as they canvass. Her salary is set at $100. monthly.

Registration Canvassers: Forty students working on a 4 hour per day basis, $30. per month, will do the canvassing. These students will also drive cars to transport persons to and from the registrar's office and also serve as babysitters for those needing the service.

Cost: The expected cost of the program will be three thousand dollars ($3,000). See itemized budget.

Time: The anticipated duration of the program is two (2) months.

Background: Presently, Rapides Parish, Louisiana, is an area where the white power structure have held tight control to keep the Negroes from exercising their political rights. Only recently Negroes have become somewhat aware of their rights as human beings and American citizens.

There are approximately twenty-one thousand (21,000) Negroes in Rapides Parish, and we have been successful in increasing registration rolls to approximately seven thousand (7,000).

Only one Negro ran for office in the last election. This man ran for a position on the Parish Democratic Central Committee. He lost by four thousand(4,000) votes. In this election three thousand, six hundred, forth-eight (3,648)Negroes voted.

There are no Negroes holding appointive jobs in Rapides Parish, Louisiana.

The active organizations which are intrumental in voter registration are: Central Louisiana Political Action Association, Inc., and the Pineville Helplanners Civic and Political Association, Inc.

The N.A.A.C.P. has a Summer Project underway here. In the voter registration drive program persons from the two organizations mentioned above and persons from the N.A.A.C.P. are all working in this program.

The registration office is permanently opened. Hours of registration are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., on Mondays through Fridays.

Current registration for Negroes in this parish is nearing seven thousand (7,000).

The community is very apathetic toward fuller citizenship participation, and this is due to a lack of motivation. It is our belief that a program, such as we have planned, will be the stimulus needed to make our community cognizance of the Rights and Responsibilities of all American citizens.

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT (NAACP)

PROPOSED BUDGET

PERIOD 8 weeks: Monday, Aug. 15 - Friday, Oct. 18, 1966*

PLACE: Rapides Parish, Louisiana DATE: August 6, 1966

Headquarters: Office of Atty. Louis Berry
1406 Ninth Street
Alexandria, Louisiana

SEE ATTACHED BREAKDOWN AND EXPLANATION !

SALARIES - PROFESSIONAL	- one Director	$400.00
CLERICAL	Executive Assistant and one Secretary	520.00
~~INSTRUCTORS IN CITIZENSHIP CLASSES~~ VOTER REGISTRATION CANVASSERS	forty people	1800.00
TRANSPORTATION		250.00
OFFICE RENT	- utilities (a/c unit)	30.00
TELE. & TELE.		
PUBLICITY & PROMOTION	planned use of news media, churches, posters, handbills (mimeo) - no cost	
OFFICE SUPPLIES		
PRINTING SUPPLIES		
FURNITURE & FIXTURES		
GENERAL (LUMP SUMS)	ITEMIZED ON THE BACK	
POSTAGE		
TOTAL		$3000.00

* An advance of $500.00 from Mr. W. C. Patton makes it possible to launch the project on August 15.

SUBMITTED BY Voter Registration and
Leadership Training Project
Alexandria Branch, NAACP
Rev. Joseph Rax, President

BUDGET EXPLANATION

SALARIES, PROFESSIONAL------ one Director ----------$400.00
6 hours per day, 6 days per week
$50.00 per week

CLERICAL ---------- 520.00

Executive Assistant , $320
6 hours per day, 5 days per week
$40.00 per week

Secretary, $200
5 hours per day, 5 days per week
$ 25.00 per week

VOTER REGISTRATION CANVASSERS-- forty people----------1800.00

4 hours per day, 5 days per week
plus weekly leadership training session,
2 hours
$ 10.00 per week

At first sight, this budget may appear to be top-heavy with salaried staff. A number of factors explains the proposed allocation of money.

First, we are able to keep our expenses of running the office at a minimum through the generosity of Atty. Louis Berry, a prominant Negro lawyer in Alexandria, Louisiana. Mr. Berry has donated the use of a large office complete with furniture, a typewriter, a mimeograph machine, a telephone (the telephone campaign will be carried on by volunteers who make calls from their home phones to keep our line open for incoming calls and requests for transportation) and a large line of office supplies (paper, stencils, miscellaneous).

Secondly, during the time the project operates, the people in the community who have the most energy and free time to devote to a concentrated registration drive are young people of high school and college age. These youth need money for school and personal expenses. One of the prime purposes of this program is the training of Negro youth to assume their full stature as citizens, and to fill leadership positions in the political structure when they reach adulthood.

BUDGET EXPLANATION (continued)

We feel that our project will be successful in proportion to the number of youth we are able to involve in meeting responsibilities of reporting, record - keeping, and in facing the challenge of motivating their own people to organize politically. Therefore, we are attempting to put a maximum number of young people on a small salary ($30.00 per month). We believe that the money will be better used when distributed among an active corps of youth workers, rather than in paying professional and highly trained personnel at the top.

During the four weeks before school begins, the youth workers will work four hours per day, five days per week, and be paid $30 per month. For the next four weeks, they will work only two hours per day, and be paid $15 per week.

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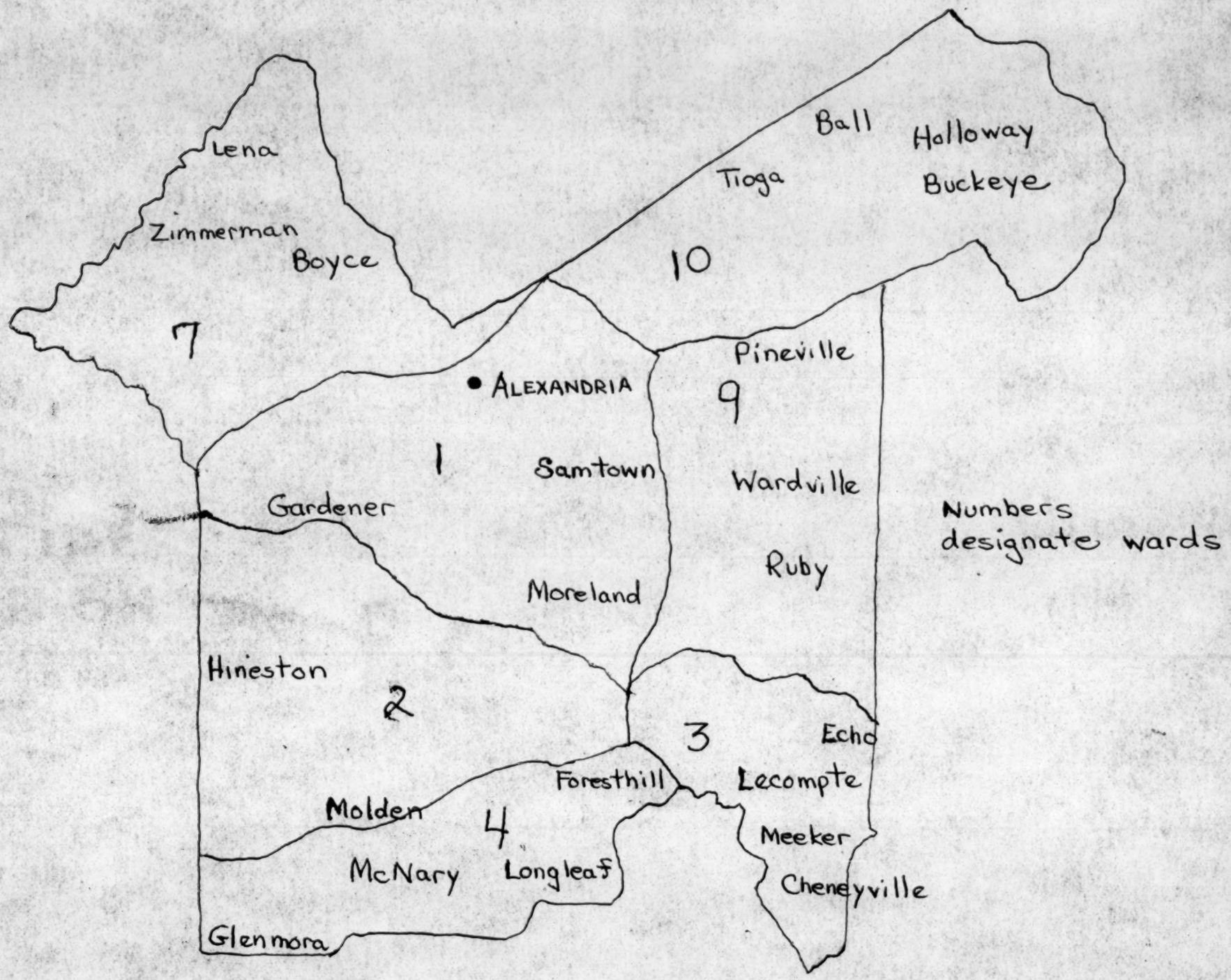

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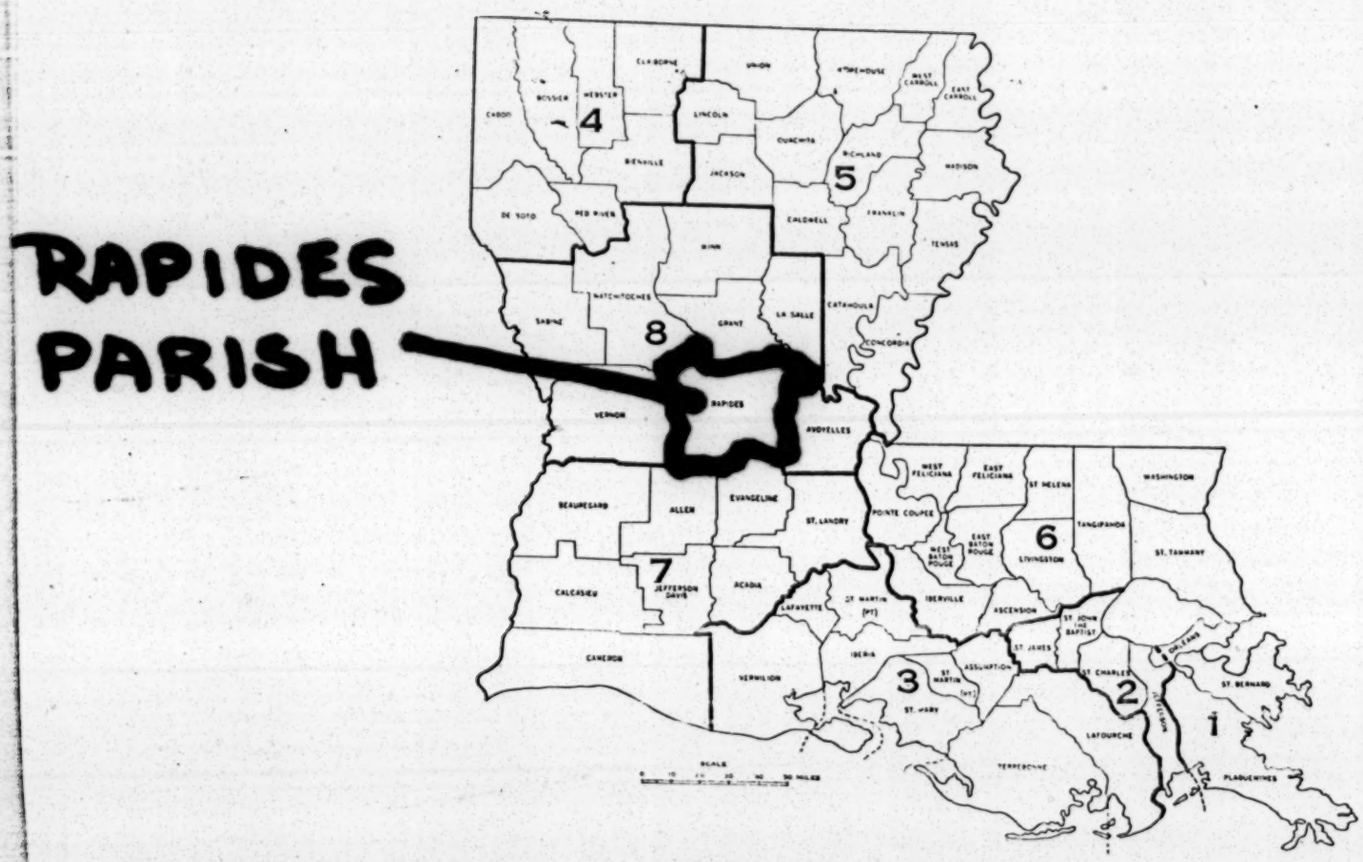

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Signed: Rev Joseph Rax

Branch President

Mrs. Howard Williams /s/

Branch Secretary

VEP 89

August 9, 1966

The Reverend Joseph Rax
512 Willow Glen Rd.
Alexandria, Louisiana

Dear Reverend Rax:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Alexandria Branch NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Rapides Parish, Louisiana. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,700.00 for an eight week program from August 15 to October 7, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's salary @ $50. per week	$400.00
Secretary @ $40. per week	320.00
Rent	60.00
Task Force Workers @ $15. per week	480.00
Transportation	300.00
Office Supplies	90.00
Telephone	50.00
	$1,700.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank, the Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program, a copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Marvin Wall will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

August 11, 1966

The Reverend Joseph Rax
512 Willow Glen Road
Alexandria, Louisiana

Dear Reverend Rax:

In his letter of August 9, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings held, people contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and <u>not by estimate</u>.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program begins August 15, we will need reports from you on August 29, September 12, September 29, and October 10.

In addition, we will need two narrative reports from you--one on September 7 and the other on October 12, after your program has been completed. These longer reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or from without. A complete

and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

August 24, 1966

The Reverend Joseph Rax
512 Willow Gain Road
Alexandria, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Rax:

In your initial funding, we are including $500.00 so that Mr. W. C. Patton can be reimbursed.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 24, 1966

Security National Bank
Alexandria, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $925.00 to be deposited to the account of the Alexandria Branch, NAACP Voter Registration Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same; Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 20, 1966

The Reverend Joseph Rax
512 Willow Glen Road
Alexandria, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Rax:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slips, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 21, 1966

Security National Bank
Alexandria, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $400.00 to be deposited to the account of the Alexandria Branch, NAACP Voter Registration Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From 9-12-66 to 9-23-66

Person reporting Mrs. P. Spencer Torry

Organization N.A.A.C.P. Voter Registration Drive

1406 Ninth — Street Address; Alexandria — City; _____ — County; Louisiana — State

Date submitted: 9-24-1966

Election District to which this report applies: _____

1 — Ward, Beat, Etc.; 1, 2, 3, 4, 13, 22 — Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass ---------- 580

Number instructed at home ---------- 580

Number instructed at clinics ---------- 0

Number instructed other places ---------- 220

a. Specify places Franklin Drive Inn, Willow Glen Road Samtown, Troper Cana Woodside 250

Number applying for registration as a result of this program ---------- 1,220

Number successfully registered by this project ---------- 1,220

Number denied registration in this project ---------- 420

a. Reasons for denial Not ready yet, We are to contact them next week.

Number contacted by other means ---------- 300

a. Specify means By telephone

Number refusing to participate ---------- 1,000

a. Reasons for refusing to participate No reason what so ever

Remarks: We are continuing day by day to get people to register.

Rev. J. J. Ray

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

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Rev. J. J. Rax

October 3, 1966

The Reverend Joseph Rax
512 Willow Glen Road
Alexandria, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Rax:

An audit of your Weekly Report #4 indicates that you paid Mr Houston Jackson on September 23 with check #51 the sum of $72.50 for canvassing. Please explain.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

October 3, 1966

Security National Bank
Alexandria, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $300.00 to be deposited to the account of the NAACP Voter Registration Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

Wiley A. Branton, Project Director

BUDGET REVISION: Alexandria Branch NAACP, Rapides Parish, Louisiana

VEP 66-89 Report due Thursday of each week.

8 Week Program August 15 to October 7, 1966

Director's salary @ $50. per week	$400.00
Secretary @ $40. per week	320.00
Rent	60.00
Task Force Workers (8) @ $15. per week	~~x350x00~~ 480.00
Trasnportation	~~250.00~~ 300.00
Office Supplies	~~x100x00~~ 90.00
Telephone	~~100.00~~ 50.00
	1700.00

cc. W. C. Patton

October 14, 1966

The Reverend Joseph Rax
512 Willow Glen Road
Alexandria, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Rax:

It has been a pleasure and privilege to have your proposal in our files. May I congradulate you and other members of your Branch for a job well done.

Mr. Wall, in his letter of August 11, mentioned certain reports that are required. May I remind you that this report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Please do not hesitate to write us again if we can be of further service to you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

October 14, 1966

Security National Bank
Alexandria, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $75.00 to be deposited to the account of the Alexandria Branch, NAACP Voter Registration Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

N.A.A.C.P. Voter Registration Project

1406 Ninth Street
Alexandria, La.

October 19, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive, Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed please find our weekly reporting forms amd a proposal for a continuation of the Voter Registration Project.

We hope that your office will see fit to assist us in order that we continue on with this very important and badly needed project.

May we hear from you as expeditiously as possible.

Thank you.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. P. Spencer Torry

(Mrs.) P. Spencer Torry
Assistant Director

October 24, 1966

The Reverend Joseph Rax
512 Willow Glen Rd.
Alexandria, Louisiana

Dear Reverend Rax:

Thank you for your report for the period October 10 to October 14. I noticed, however, that there are no reports for the period from September 2 to October 10. If any registration was conducted during this period, kindly send us a report so that the figure can be added to the total for Rapides Parish.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

Thad

Let's make this grant today of about of $1700.00

VJ

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
Voter Education Project
Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations.

1. A separate bank account will be opened and used solely for deposit and disbursement of funds under this grant.

2. Deposit slips and a copy of the signature card on this bank account are furnished to VEP.

3. The bank is instructed to mail all bank statements and cancelled checks to VEP. If this instruction is violated by the bank these documents must be forwarded UNOPENED to VEP.

4. Payments for such purchases or services relevant to the grant are to be made from the above-mentioned bank account and should be made by check whenever possible.

5. Cash expenditures should be kept to a minimum and when they are made are to be supported by vouchers to which receipts and/or invoices (or copies thereof) are attached.

6. Items on vouchers supporting cash expenditures must be broken down to show amount spent for each item; viz,

Right		Wrong	
Office supplies	$5.00	Office supplies and Postage	$5.60
Postage	.60		
Total	$5.60		

7. Vouchers supporting the purchase of advertising or printing should have attached to them samples of such materials when feasible (placards, newspaper ads, bumper stickers, etc.) or exact texts when samples are not possible (as in radio ads and billboards). This is also a research requirement.

8. Personal loans are not to be made from VEP funds nor should payments for activities on non-grant projects be made even when a re-deposit of like amount is intended later.

9. VEP funds are not to be used for the payment of poll tax, under any circumstances, not even in the form of loans.

10. All voided checks, cash vouchers, and supporting receipts, invoices, media samples, and travel expense forms must be attached to a properly filled out weekly report and mailed to VEP each_____. These reports are to be certified by the individual responsible for the project by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the bottom of weekly report.

11. When you make a direct grant to a regional affiliate, detailed expenditures of this direct grant must be supported by this same method of reporting either directly to VEP or through you to VEP.

12. When your regional affiliates make direct grants to local groups detailed expenditures of these direct grants must be supported by this same method of reporting either directly to VEP or through the regional affiliate or through you to VEP.

IN OTHER WORDS (RE 11 and 12) DIRECT GRANTS CANNOT BE MADE TO REGIONAL OR LOCAL GROUPS WITHOUT FULL ACCOUNTING TO VEP FOR THE EXPENDITURES OF THESE DIRECT GRANTS.

13. All reports, vouchers, bank statements, and cancelled checks will be retained by VEP. Should the grantee need access to these records they will be available.

Submit all financial reports to Thaddeus Olive, Jr.,

Administrative Aide, Voter Project.

ACIE J. BELTON
President

LEON ROBINSON
Secretary

DR. CURTIS J. GILLIAM
Treasurer

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February 28, 1966

Rec'd
3-1-66

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Thank you very much for your letter post dated February 17, 1966, in which reference was made to Voter Education Project being put back into operation, after its temporary discontinuance in 1964. I must congratulate and commend your very timely announcement of VEP's present plans to further the cause for which it was founded, in the fields of voter registration, leadership training, and citizenship education.

Federated Organization for the Cause of Unlimited Self-Development, better known in the Baton Rouge community as FOCUS, is parish-wide in scope and has met with some success in our parish in the field of voter registration. The area in which major concentration must be given is not only in East Baton Rouge Parish, and Louisiana, but throughout the South. Such a need is evidenced through the fact that there are approximately 600,000 Negroes in the state that are of registration age and as of December 31, 1965, only 210,432 were on the registration rolls, comprising 17.3 per cent of the total registration of the state.

In East Baton Rouge Parish, a highly industrialized community in which Southern University, the largest Negro university in the country is located, there are approximately 41,000 Negroes of registration age. Of this figure, only 16,981 are registered. On June 10, 1966, thirty days before the July 12, Congressional Election, the stature books are expected to close. This gives us approximately four months to add approximately twelve thousand persons to the rolls.

The most effective method which we hope to employ would involve four (4) paid full time field workers equipped with sample registration forms and the ability to give whatever assistance needed. Each worker would be assigned to a certain geographical area of the parish on a door to door, street to street assignment. These persons will record names, phone numbers, addresses and commitment dates of each applicant. Many sections of our parish are long distances from the registrar's office. This makes it necessary for two full time cars and drivers, all of which will be co-ordinated through the full-time office worker. Such a program will require and receive the assistance of all officers of the organizations under the direction of its president.

East Baton Rouge Parish is located in the sixth congressional district and is divided into three wards, the second of which is most promising. In Ward 2, the Negro registration potential is about one per cent greater than the white. The possibility is great that before the July primary in which a School Board member will be elected from the second ward, it will be a Negro.

The City Council has recently appointed Negroes to the Greater Baton Rouge Safety Council and Housing Committee. The first ward of East Baton Rouge Parish comprises the city, in which we can look forward to electing a Negro to the School Board and Council only after we will have increased our registration by at least 9,000.

Hours during which persons may register are from 8:00 A. M. to 1:00 P. M. and from 2:00 until 5:00 P. M. It might interest you to know that in the last election held in November, 1964 at which time there were 11,314 Negroes registered in East Baton Rouge Parish, approximately 9,987 voted.

The estimated cost of the proposed project on voter registration requested by FOCUS is as follows:

1.	Office Rent	$ 75.00	Per Month
2.	Office Worker	200.00	" "
3.	Telephone	14.85	" "
4.	(4) Field workers at $40.00 per week	800.00	" "
5.	(2) Cars at $80 per week	800.00	" "
6.	Supplies	100.00	
	Total cost per month	$1,989.85	

Total estimated cost for a 4 month period ----- $7,959.40.

Thanks very kindly for whatever consideration you may give to this request.

Yours very truly,

Acie J. Belton

Acie J. Belton, President

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Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan:

We the officers and members of FEDERATED ORGANIZATION FOR THE CAUSE OF UNLIMITED SELF-DEVELOPMENT better known in the Baton Rouge community as FOCUS take pride at the begining of our Voter Registrating Drive commencing to day Monday June 13, 1966 and ending July 13, 1966. At which time the Stature books will close for the congressional primary set for August 13, 1966.

The importance of this primary can not be over emphasized for in it the offices of District Attorney, Family court Judge, three School board members, Congressman from the sixth Congressional District, and one U. S. Senator are to be filled. It is our feeling that with some financial aid during this thirty day drive we might be able to add an additional 3,000 persons to the 18,000 voters we presently have in East Baton Rouge parish thus placing us in a much better bargining position.

I am not at all unmindful of the statement made by you in the Voter Registration Conference held by the Justice Department Monday May 16,1966 indicating that every application made for assistance from V. E. P. would be considered, but urged that we would refrain from reminding. However, the fact that we have only thirty days in which to register before the books close for the congressional primary a grant at this time would greatly enhance our efforts even for a fifteen day crash drive.

Thank you very kindly for whatever consideration you may give.

Yours turly,

Acie J. Belton

Acie J. Belton Pres.

AJB/daa

June 20, 1966

Mr. Acie J. Belton, President
Federated Organization for the Cause of Unlimited
Self-Development
1310 Sora Street
Baton Rouge 7, La.

Dear Mr. Belton:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Federated Organization for the Cause of Unlimited Self-Development for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,065.00 for a One month program from June 13 to July 13, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to one month subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

(4) Task Force Workers @ $25 per week	$400.00
Transportation	300.00
Office Rent	75.00
Telephone	15.00
Office Supplies	75.00
Director @ $50. per week	200.00
	$1065.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank, the Project will mail a deposit directly

to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program, a copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Mr. Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/pf
Encl.

June 24, 1966

Mr. Acie J. Belton, President
Federated Organization for the Cause
of Unlimited Self-Development
1310 Sora Street
Baton Rouge 7, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Belton:

In his letter of June 20, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single period. Since your program began June 13, we will need reports from you on June 27, and July 15.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you on July 18, after your program has been completed. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either within your program or without

A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

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June 27, 1966

Mr. Vernon J. Jordon
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordon:

This letter acknowledges receipt of your letter dated June 20, 1966 in which you announced V. E. P. approval of FOCUS request for a grant in the amount of $1,065.00 to be spent on voter registration for the period June 13, 1966 to July 13, 1966 and in-keeping with the guidelines specified.

We are delighted, and appreciative for the action taken and do hope the results will justify. We had proceeded to arrange our forces as proposed in your letter except for task force workers none of which were employed until Firday June 24, 1966 at which time we employed eight instead of the four allowed for at the begining of the period.

Inclosed you will find a Signature Card, and some deposit slips which you will mail to Louisiana National Bank North Baton Rouge, Branch 3955 Plank Road, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Phone 348-2131.

Respectfully Submitted

Acie J. Belton

Acie J. Belton President

AJB/daa
Enclosure

July 1, 1966

Mr. Acie J. Belton
President
FOCUS
1310 Sora Street
Baton Rouge 7, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Belton:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of deposit slip indicating amount deposited to the account of FOCUS, and b) copy of our letter of transmittal. Also enclosed are Weekly Report Forms for your weekly reporting.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

July 1, 1966

Louisiana National Bank
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $400.00 to be deposited to the account of the "FOCUS" -- Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Also enclosed are deposit slips accordingly.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

cc: Mr. Acie J. Belton

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July 1, 1966

Mr. Vernon J. Jordon
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordon:

This letter comes as a follow up of the letter dated June 27, 1966 in which a Signature card, and Deposit slips were mailed as per your request.

Inclosed you will find a corrected Signature card with proper title, please disregard the one previously sent through errow.

Respectfully Submitted
Acie J. Belton
Acie J. Belton Pres.

July 11, 1966

Mr. Acie J. Benton
President
FOCUS
1310 Sora Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Benton:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Louisiana National Bank b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 11, 1966

Louisiana National Bank
P.O. Box 511
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $368.00 to be deposited to the account of the Second Ward Voters League. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Acie J. Benton

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ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

XXXXXXXXXX, *Project Director*

BUDGET REVISION: Federated Organization For the Cause of Unlimited Self-Development

VEP 66-64 June 13 to July 13, 1966 One Month

Report due Thursday of each week.

(4) Task Force Workers @ $25. per week	$400.00	
Transportation	300.00	
Office Rent	75.00	
Telephone	15.00	
Office Supplies	75.00	
Director @ $50. per week	200.00	
		$1065.00

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July 27, 1966

Louisiana National Bank
P.O. Box 1511
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821

Gentlemen:

Ecnlosed is our check in the amount of $297.00 to be deposited to the account of the Second Ward Voters League. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Acie J. Belton

July 27, 1966

Mr. Acie J. Belton
President
"FOCUS"
1310 Sora Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Belton:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

January 3, 1967

Board of Registration
State of Louisiana
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Sirs:

Through Mrs. Patricia B. Miller of Baton Rouge, we recently received voter registration figures for Louisiana as of October 8, 1966, by parishes and by race. If these figures are available in published form, we would very much appreciate receiving a copy, since we endeavor to maintain such statistics on a regional basis. If there is any charge, we will be, of course, happy to pay it.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N.W., ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

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February 15, 1967

Mr. Acie J. Belton
President
Federated Organization for the
Cause of Unlimited Self-Development
1300 Sora Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Belton:

This is to reply to your letter of January 30. Thank you for forwarding the bank statements for FOCUS as requested by Mr. Jordan.

We would need also the cancelled checks to complete our files. May we have these at your earliest convenience.

Thank you kindly.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

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January 30, 1967

Mr. Vernon E. Jordon, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street N. W.
Atlanta Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordon:

In reply to your letter dated January 4, 1967 which I am sorry to admitt was called to my attention Friday January 27, 1967 relative to F.O.C.U.S. failure to comply with provisions of V.E.P. guidelines and reporting requirements which I was entirely unaware of for I had given Louisiana National Bank the letter setting forth the guidelines and asked them to comply which they agreed to do.

As you know the grant period was from June 13 to July 13, 1966, but it wasn't until July 1, 1966 when we received V.E.P. first check in the amount of $400.00 meaning that Second Ward Voters League took care of payments from the begining date of drive until receipt of first payment from V.E.P. Therefore I am sending Bank statements for both Second Ward Voters League, and F.O.C.U.S. covering period June 13, through July 13, 1966.

Again thank you very much and if I can be of any further assistance to you please feel free to call on me.

Respectfully Submitted

Acie J. Belton

Acie J. Belton, President

Received 2-25-66

INTRODUCTION

The coming congressional elections and the Voting Rights Bill of 1965 have made it imperative for CORE to increase its program of political education and voter registration. The Voting Rights Bill has removed much of the physical barrier that once prevented thousands of Negroes from registering. It has not, however, removed the psychological barrier that three hundred years of racial hatred and discrimination have so well established in the minds of black and white alike: of whites who have gone to unbelievable lengths of intimidation and violence to maintain the barrier; of Negroes who have confronted the bar with bitterness, then fear, finally a resigned acquiescence. It will take this and amny more voter education programs to remove that barrier.

CORE's 1966 program in voter education and registration will be concentrated in sections of Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, North and South Carolina. Our proposal to VEP roughly covers the period March 1, to August 31, 1966. Dates vary from state to state because of differences in election dates. The proposal follows.

LOUISIANA VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

The Louisiana Voter Registration and Education Program will cover the period from March 1st. through August 31st,1966. We will work in four parishes as follows:

Four (4) workers in Claiborne Parish

Three (3) workers in Madison Parish

Four (4) workers in Orleans, 11th Ward

Four (4) workers in Ouachita Parish

Below are some pertinent statistics:

Parishes	Total Voting Age Population	Total Negro Voting Age Population	Negro % of Total Voting Age Pop.	Number of Negroes Reg.	Number of Negroes Unreg.
Claiborne	11,477	5,032	44.4%	1,073	3,959
Madison	8,515	5,181	60.5%	2,697	2,484
Orleans, 11th Ward				4,656	7,000
Ouachita	56,562	16,377	28.5%	7,374	9,003

BUDGET

Salaries for 12 workers@$25/wk. for 26/wks.	$ 7,800
Salaries for 4 workers @$40/wk. for 26/wks.	4,160
Car rental for 1 car @$125/mo. for 6/mos.	750
Gas and oil for 1 car @$75/mo. for 6/mos.	450
Office rent @$75 /mo. for 6/mos.	450
Telephone @$60/mo. for 6/mos.	360
Utilities @$30/mo. for 6/mos.	180
Office Supplies @$70/mo. for 6/mos.	420
Rental of Supplies(typewriter, etc)for 6/mos.	260
Misc.	170
Total $	15,000.00

TO JAP 36

April 14, 1966

Mr. Richard Haley
Regional Director, CORE
2209 Dryades Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Haley:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of CORE for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Clairborne County, Louisiana. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,730.00 for a period of eight weeks, to run from April 25 to June 20, 1966.

In accordance with our agreement, the grant will cover voter registration in Clairborne County as follows:

a)	Four(4) Task Force Workers (@ $25.00 per week)	$ 800.00
b)	Transportation	450.00
c)	Rent	60.00
d)	Office Supplies	150.00
e)	Telephone	70.00
f)	Educational Materials	200.00
		$1,730.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips, and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit these reports and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of the number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Mrs. Barbara Patterson, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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CORE SOUTHERN OFFICE
2209 DRYADES ST.
NEW ORLEANS, LA. 70113

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April 24, 1966

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Att: Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

Dear Vernon:

The following persons will be working on the V.E.P. project in Louisiana:

Claiborne Parish:

Harvey Houston
Rt. 1 Box 129B
Athens, La.
258-3330

Mrs. Fannie Dodd
1208 Jefferson Ave.
Homer, La.
927-3876

Mrs. Mertha M. Henderson
261 Washington
Homer, La.
927-3107

Mrs. Johnetta Lewis
Holsey Stop
Lisbon, La.

Quachita Parish:

Carla Brown
2403 Short Washington St.

Jimmie Anderws
103 N. 10th St.

Michael Robinson
103 N. 10th St.

All addresses are in Monroe, La.

Madison:

Lillie Smith

Henderson Wiley

Arthis Ray Dawson

Irene Davis
505 W. Green St.
Tallulah, La.
788

All addresses are in Tallulah and you may send all mail to 505 W. Green St. until I send you the addresses of the other people.

Sincerely,

Isaac Reynolds

Isaac Reynolds
Louisiana State Director
Congress of Racial Equality

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WXXXXXXXXX, Project Director

SOUTHERN REGIONAL OFFICE OF CORE

Budget Revision for Claiborne County 8 week program

April 25 to June 20, 1966

VEP 66-36 Report due Monday

(4) Task Force Workers @ $25 per week	$800.00	
Transportation	450.00	
Rent	60.00	
Office Supplies	150.00	
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Educational Materials	200.00	
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8 December 1966

Mr. Richard Haley
Regional Director, CORE
2209 Dryades Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Haley:

As the end of 1966 approaches we are attempting to close our files for the year. Our files show that we have not received the Narrative Reports for April 25th - June 20th for projects in Madison, Quachita, and Clairborne.

We would appreciate hearing from you as soon as possible so that we will have an accurate record of your project. These reports are our only means of assessing and evaluating the Voter Education Projects, and are neeced in order to compile our final report.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

SOUTHERN CONSUMERS'

EDUCATION FOUNDATION

425 GENERAL MOUTON STREET · LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA 70504
P. O. BOX 3005 · PHONE: 232-1126

March 30, 1966

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APR 1 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan,

There is a great need in this area for a Voter Education and Leadership Training Program. We feel that with adequate funds to provide the necessary staff we can have a very effective program.

If there are any questions or revisions needed for the proposal, please call us. We have enclosed a copy of our charter and tax-exemption number. Also a copy of financial statement from our C.P.A. who keeps an audit on all our books.

Those working with this project will be well qualified and will be selected by the Board of Directors of the Foundation. (See attached list).

Requesting that you give our proposal careful consideration, and hoping to hear from you soon,

Respectfully,

Una Mae Hargrave
Una Mae Hargrave, President

A J McKnight
Father A. J. McKnight, C.S.Sp., Treasurer

cc: Paul Anthony
Jack Sisson

Southern Consumers' Education Foundation
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I. Purpose:

A proposal submitted to Southern Regional Council for a Voter Education Program and a Leadership Program.

Introduction:

Southern Consumers' Education Foundation is a non-profit organization founded to be the Education arm of Southern Consumers' Cooperative. It assures the members of continuous educational programs which work hand in hand with the business phase of the Cooperative, yet seperate and on its' own. Objectives and purposes of the Education Foundation are listed below:

OBJECTIVES AND PURPOSES FOR SOUTHERN CONSUMERS' EDUCATION FOUNDATION: (As detailed in Charter and Articles of Incorporation.)

1. *To educate members in the purpose of Cooperatives and the principles of cooperatives, and to carry on general educational programs through adult educational activities.*

2. *To educate members to function more effectively as individuals, citizens, parents, and as workers. To live more intelligently with themselves and with others.*

3. *To educate members that in a real democracy, people must share the responsibility for the creation and distribution of wealth.*

4. *To educate members to the thrill of feeling that they are masters of their destiny and that they can do something for themselves, through group action and true cooperative philosophy.*

5. *To achieve through education a change of quality of individuals and to instill a desire and necessity to help their fellow man.*

6. *To improve education, economic and political interests through group action and motivate a desire to change.*

7. *To share ideas, attend meetings, work together, learn together to make their communities better places to live and work.*

8. *To educate members in the wise use and handling and management of money.*

9. *To educate members to respect differences of opinion, to seek common ground and to work to put their own thinking into the good of the group, to bear criticism, to subdue jealousy.*

The Foundation gives assurance of better educational programs helping the poor to enter the mainstream of American life through programs, workshops and seminars which relate to Leadership, Citizen Responsibility and the importance of the "Person in Response to the World of Today."

Last summer the Foundation sponsored Head Start in six Civil Parishes of La., enrolling over two thousand pre-school children from poverty families. The program was a tremendous success, but the need for more staff to work with the Parents of

the children became a concern to all who worked with the Education Foundation. We are therefore, applying for a Voter Education and Leadership Training through the Southern Regional Council for the parents and citizens where the Head Start Program is being sponsored by Southern Consumers' Education Foundation, to begin no later than May 1, 1966.

SITUATION:

Many groups are offering voter registration services to the communities, where we will be working. But we have found in our work with communities that once registered many persons do not actually vote. (Ex. recent Lafayette election for State Representation out of 90,000 qualified registered voters, 18,848 votes were cast.) Some of the reasons for the apathy comes from not understanding the issues involved, not understanding the importance of going to the polls to cast a ballot, not knowing the structure of government nor the functions of the various offices and not enough leadership and voter education to work up an interest in voting.

Along with our Parent Enrichment Programs for the Head Start Program we could and want to conduct voter education and leadership training for the Parents and Citizens of these communities. We will need more staff for effective programs and to get the people to come to the educational programs, as well as more research and lesson plans to be planned ahead of time. The Office of Economic Opportunity will not allow for extra staff persons to work with the Parents.

The Fieldworkers will need good information and films which can be used, for the training sessions. Much research and composing of material will have be done by the Central Staff -- Director and the Research Person. Each fieldworker will be responsible to conduct the seminars which relate to voter education and to leadership training, and to plan fieldtrips which relate to the seminars.

We feel that this type of program would fit in very well with these groups which are already organized through Head Start. We have found from experience that if you do something for their children you are effectively getting a captive and interested audience for most of the poor want a better tomorrow for their children and are grateful if you have programs which involve their little ones.

II. KIND OF PROGRAM:

Our Philosophy:

People will not register (or if they are presurred into registering they will not vote) unless they see a need to vote. Crash programs of voter registration may harm a community if through the initiative and vision of others they herd Negro citizens to the Registrars' Office and then leave them stranded with little or no understanding of the necessity to vote. (This politicans love to cite as examples.)

We believe that voting is left up to the initiative of the individual. But if the individual is not motivated to vote by what he sees as his own interests, no amount of pious or patriotic sales talk will get them to the polls. Increased registration statistics when Negroes have not been motivated to vote and shoulder political responsibility on their own mislead Federal authorities who could supply aid, and seemingly uphold prejudices that contend "Negroes seemingly don't care." However, voter education can not and will not be limited to Negroes. All parents of the Head Start Center will participate an all out effort will be made to involve all citizens of the community.

A. VOTER EDUCATION

A realistic voter registration project must rest on a solid foundation of voter education. Some steps in this kind of education might be:

1) A door to door canvass in a small area (2 or 3 blocks) in which the fieldworker and volunteers will ask the people what they see as their community problems, or felt need. (To get them to dialogue among themselves and come up with the answers.)
2) A called neighborhood meeting of the families visited at which the community problems are discussed first. Then the problems should be traced to their sources ; men in power who use their positions for personal profit instead of the good of the people they represent. It should be stressed that people create conditions and that service should be the key for better political motivation.
3) This can lead to a series of meetings explaining how the vote works, not the formal political science but the scheming way politics works. The need to mobilize a bloc vote and to emphasize that bloc voting is good, not bad, and bloc voting according to interest and issues makes more sense than partisan voting.
4) This voter education program should educate citizens to their political responsibilities apart from elections, as well. The need to communicate that Public Officals are absolutely vulnerable to pressure. No man can hold office if he fails to please the people who elect him. Therefore,the program should teach that all citizens should be made aware of the accessibility of office holders to them and their opinions. They should learn to make public servants aware of their needs through visits, phone calls, organized letters and writing protest campaigns.
5) Voter Education should include ' know - your - community ' program which would inform citizens of the resources available to them in their community. (If these visits can be arranged during evenings or on Saturdays.)

   This should include visits to the: 1)employment office 2) various offices housed in Federal Building (if available) 3) Court House 4)City Hall 5) Community Action Office .

   Public Officals should be invited to speak and explain their office and services to voter education participants. Citizens should be aware of services and also who complaints should be registered with. Too often people are told, "That's not my department."
6) The Voter Education project should make an attempt at obtaining voting machines and special classes should be given in the use of machines. It would be wise for the participants to actually hold election among themselves and learn through doing. (They should hold a City, Parish, State and National Election among themselves.) They will then get the experience of giving a speech, and actually go through the whole process of voting, counting and results.

B. LEADERSHIP TRAINING

After the active and full particpation of the Voter Education Program, the field worker can find out who are the leaders in the group. And from this larger group of Parents and Citizens will pick out a least 20 to 30 leaders who will be asked to particpate for another four weeks Leadership Training Program. This Leadership Training will give the community Leaders who can be trained and put in close touch with Southern Consumers' so that there can be an effective and continual program of self-help.

Leadership Training for four to six weeks:

(We will outline in brief what it will cover, but want to stress that this portion of the program will have to worked on in detail. We will list a bibliography at bottom of resources which will be used to work out the training sessions.)

1) Concept of Leadership and What Makes Leadership so difficult.
   Meaning of leadership which leads to responsibility, service, helping others to develop, and an obligation to others as well as obligation to one's self.
2) Group dynamics and Understanding People.
3) Parlimentary procedure and how to conduct interesting meetings.
   Small things of importanct of making meetings interesting, effective and necessity of having planned agendas, starting on time and ending on time.
4) Accepting new ideas, authority, responsibility, and respect for each person.

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(Helping with the compiling of material and details will be two local University Professors who will volunteer their time to help with this program.)

III. TIME SCHEDULE

The entire proposal is being submitted for a four month program.

Voter Education Program would last for 3 months. Leadership Program for 1 month. Compiling and research will have to work hand and hand with the on-going program.

IV. BACKGROUND OF AREAS TO BE SERVED:

As mentioned previously we would like to conduct this program in the same Parishes where Southern Consumers' Education Foundation will be sponsoring Head Start Programs, begining May 1, 1966. These Parishes and background:

LAFAYETTE PARISH

Population	% Non-White	Unemployment White	Unemployment Non-White	Education Level (Average of those 25 years & over.) Non-White 3 years 3 months of formal school.
190,000	30.0%	4.1%	17.3%	

Median Income
White --- $4,483.
Non-White -- $2,314.

Total Number of Voters for 1960 Governor's Election --23,869

No Negroes ran for office in last elections. Number of registered Negroes reported for year of 1965 -- 396. Could not get total number.

Active N.A.A.C.P. Youth Council. Active Human Relations and University groups in this Parish.

VERMILION PARISH

Populatipn:		Unemployment		Median Income		Educational Level
Total	Non-White	White	Non-White	White	Non-White	Formal school for adults
38,855	12.3%	6%	12%	$4,686	$2,184	25 yrs. and over.....
						Non-White 1 year 1 month

Total Number of Voters who voted in 1960 Governor's Election - 15,880
No Negro ran for office in any election in this Parish. Total number of Negroes who registered to vote in 1965 - 22.

IBERIA PARISH

Population:		Unemployment		Median Income		Educational Level
Total	Non-White	White	Non-White	White	Non-White	Formal School for adults
51,656	28.7%	6%	8%	$4,329	$2,241	25 years and over....
						Non-White 4 years 1 month.

Total Number of Voters who voted in Governor's Election in 1960 - 16619.
Negroes have run for office but never elected. Total number of Negroes registered to vote in 1965 - 125.
There is an active N.A.A.C.P. Organization in this Parish/

ST. LANDRY PARISH

Population:		Unemployment		Median Income		Educational Level
Total	Non-White	White	Non-White	White	Non-White	Formal school for adults
81,493	43%	8.8%	16%	$2,480	$1,376	25 years and over....
						3 years 1 month.

Total Number of Voters who voted in Governor's Election in 1960 - 26,668.
Negroes are now runing in coming local election on April 9, 1966.
Total number of Negroes who registered in 1965 - 20.
Core has a fieldworker in this Parish. Very active N.A.A.C.P. Tense and very segregated Parish.

ST. MARY PARISH

Population:		Unemployment		Median Income		Educational Level
Total	Non-White	White	Non-White	White	Non-White	Formal schooling for
48,883		6%	12%	$4,329	$1,478	adults 25 years and over
						2 years 5 months

Total number of voters who voted in Governor's Election in 1960 - 13,153.
Negroes are now runing in coming local election on April 9, 1966.
Total number of Negroes who registered in 1965 - 621.
Very active Human Relations Group in St. Mary Parish.

JEFFERSON DAVIS

Population		Unemployment		Median Income		Educational Level
Total	Non-White	White	Non-White	White	Non-White	Formal school for adults
29,825	21.2%	6%	10%	$4,822	$2,110	25 years and over....
						3 years 3 months

Total number of voters who voted in Governor's Election in 1960 - 9,365.
No Negroes runing for office. One (1) Negro registered in Parish 1965.
Inactive N.A.A.C.P.

CLAIBORNE PARISH

Population:		Unemployment		Median Income		Educational Level
Total	Non-White	White	Non-White	White	Non-White	Formal school for adults
19,407	50.3%	5.8%	6.1%	$2,868	$1,620	25 years and over.....
						5 years 7 months

Total number of voters who voted in 1960 Governor's Election - 4,632.
No Negroes ran for office in any election in this Parish.
Total number of Negroes registered to vote in 1965 - 587.
Core is active in Claiborne, but the community is divided.

CONCORDIA PARISH

Population:		Unemployment		Median Income		Educational Level
Total	Non-White	White	Non-White	White	Non-White	Formal school for adults
20,467	46.3	3.5%	6.5%	$3,266	$1,634	25 years and over.....
						White - 8 years
						Non-White - 4 years 4 mts

Total number of voters who voted in 1960 Governor's Election - 4,510.
No Negroes ran for office in any election in this Parish.
Total number of Negroes registered to vote in 1965 - 557.
Core has a fieldworker here. A tense community across the Mississippi River from Natchez---- could become a Bogulsa overnight.

EAST FELICIANA

Population:		Unemployment		Median Income		Educational Level
Total	Non-White	White	Non-White	White	Non-White	Formal school for adults
20,198	54.0%	4.9%	9.0%	100% poverty area		25 years and over.....
						White - 5 yrs. 5 mts.
						Negro - 1 yr. 5 mts.

Total number of voters who voted in 1960 Governor's Election - 2,883.
No Negroes ran for office in any election in this Parish.
Total number of Negroes registered to vote in January, 1966 - 1,080
Core has fieldworkers here. A torn community.

WEST FELICIANA:		Unemployment		Median Income		Educational Level
Population:	Non-White	White	Non-White	White	Non-White	Formal school for adults
12,395	66.1%	7.9%	17.3%	100% Poverty area		25 years and over.....
						White - 5 years 3 mts.
						Non-White - 1 yr.1 mt.

Total number of voters who voted in 1960 Governor's Election - 1,053.
No Negroes ran for office in any election in this Parish.
Total number of Negroes registered to vote in 1966 - 565.
Federal Registrars had to be called in January, 1966 when 565 Negroes registered.....for the first time since days of Reconstruction. People who registered lost title to property, and share croppers were thrown off land. A tense and segregated community.

In brief all 9 of the above Parishes have a tremendous need for Voter Education and Leadership. There is much more background work to be done on each Parish, but time did not permit for this proposal. However, once the staff has been selected each fieldworker will be required to survey the Parish and get the exact number of registered voters, to write up a complete statiscal background and conditions of the Parish to be submitted to Southern Consumers' Education Foundation and to Southern Regional Council.

If we are funded we will assure Southern Regional Council all necessary information and background.

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V. COST AND WHO:

Once Southern Consumers' Education Foundation gets word from Southern Regional Council about funding, we shall begin taking applications for a director and for nine fieldworkers. Through our contacts we know that we have qualified people in each Parish who could do the work. The director and secretary will do research, compile information, and visit each Parish at least twice a mon th to co-ordinate the program.

COST OF PROJECT FOR FOUR MONTHS

STAFF	MONTHLY SALARY	FOUR MONTH SALARY
1 Director	$ 600.00	$ 2,400.00
9 Field Workers	500.00	18,000.00
1 Secretary-Typist-Researcher	400.00	1,600.00
1 Bookkeeper (part-time)	200.00	800.00
Fringe Benefits 10% (total salaries)		2,280.00
Rent for Central Office where Director and Secretary will work out all co-ordinating, compiling and sending of material to field workers.	60.00	240.00
Telephone (Central Office)	200.00	800.00
Office Supplies	350.00	1,400.00
Travel Money for Director..10¢ a mile. $15. per day for 58 days.		1,320.00
Travel Money for Fieldworkers..10¢ a mile, x 9 workers, x 88 days (100 miles per day)		7,920.00
Miscelaneous - for renting and ordering good film, renting projectors, etc.		1,000.00
	TOTAL REQUESTED...	$37,760.00

All staff will be required to fill out travel vouchers, report sheets and all money spent will be closely accounted for. Southern Consumers' Education Foundation has had experience in administration of this type of grant and careful audit will be supervised by a local C. P. A. firm.

SOUTHERN CONSUMERS'

EDUCATION FOUNDATION

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SOUTHERN CONSUMERS" EDUCATION FOUNDATION:

NAME	TITLE	OTHER ORGANIZATIONS
Una Mae Hargrave	President	Human Relation Council; The Grail; International; N.A.A.C.P.
Dr. James Oliver	Vice-President	Dean of Graduate School U.S.L.; Human Relations Council State President; Acadiana-Neuf-President of Board of Directors.
Rosetta T. Diggs (Mrs.)	Secretary	Acadiana-Neuf Advisory Board Member; N.A.A.C.P.; Iberia Parish Council Advisory President; J. B. School P.T.A.
Rev. A. J. McKnight	Treasurer	President of Southern Consumers' Co-op; Pastor, St. Edwards Church, Delcambre, Louisiana.
Peter Vallot, Jr.		Acadiana-Neuf Board of Directors; Louisiana Education Association; President of Vermilion Parish Credit Union; Human Relation Council.
Clyde Coco		Board Member of Acadiana-Neuf; St. Vincent de Paul Society; Barbers Union.
Carol Prejean		Southern Consumers' Cooperative; Member of Human Relations Council; Editor of Co-op Newsletter.
Rita Joseph		Member Southern Consumers' Co-op; Louisiana Teachers Association; Librarian.
J. Carlton James		Retired principal; President of the Lafayette Council of Human Relations; Member of Lafayette Advisory Board of Acadiana-Neuf, and Human Relation Council.

March 14, 1966

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Mr. Paul Anthony
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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Dear Mr. Anthony:

Our Cooperative is still struggling for expansion and financial support. A number of good and important programs have resulted from our being involved in community organization, but we could do much more if we had more Central Staff.

In a few weeks we hope to begin Head Start Programs in about ten Civil Parishes. Some will be in the real poverty areas of North Louisiana. But if the programs are to be succesful it will mean some over-all staff must be available for programs with parents. This program should be Voter education and Social and Economic education.

If it is possible to receive help from your programs for voter education we would be most grateful for any assistance you might give us.

We did speak to Mr. Vernon Jordan and he said he would send us a guide-line and then we could submit a proposal. We are still waiting for a guide-line, but thought since you know of our work programs we might write and discuss the possibilities with you.

Thanking you for your continued help and encouragement in our work.

Sincerely,

Rev. A. J. McKnight, C.S.Sp., President

cc: Vernon Jordan
Jack Sisson

CO-OP NEWS

of the

Southern Consumers' Cooperative

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SHRIVER MEETS SCC BOARD MEMBERS

Sergent Shriver, director of O.E.O. met with SCC board members at a reception in Lafayette, Sunday, Feb. 13, 1966.
L/R: Background - Mrs. Rosetta Diggs, Miss Rita Joseph, and Mr. Peter Vallo.
L/R: Foreground - Mr. Sergent Shriver, Mr. Clyde Coco and Mr. Coley Bellamy

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Southern Consumers' Education Foundation, applicant agent for Project Head Start in nine Louisiana parishes, has announced that a manual will be issued to all areas concerned.

This manual will explain and describe the various local committees required by O.E.O. and the steps used in forming these. When word is received that these projects are funded, the manuals will be mailed to the areas.

S.C.E.F. PRESIDENT VISITS CALIF. CO-OPS

Miss Una Mae Hargrave, SCEF president, has returned from an exchange visit with the cooperatives in the Bay Area of California.

Her first day was spent in San Francisco meeting the people working with the BAND project. BAND is a non-profit organization funded as a **demonstration** project **under** O.E.O. to promote and test out steps for consumer education with the low-income.

Miss Hargrave visited all eight co-op centers owned and controlled by Berkeley Co-op members. Each center has a large supermarket which serves members and non-members.

Within the supermarket is a **Kiddie Korral** which conducts creative arts and crafts classes for the little ones while Mother shops. A qualified child development teacher runs the Kiddie Korral.

Each center also has a **home economist** who conducts consumer education hints and displays. She is at the service of the consumer shopping in the store.

An education director is responsible for **membership** information and co-op displays within the store.

Then Miss Hargrave traveled to Palo Alto. The Palo Alto Co-ops have three centers and run very much on the same order as Berkeley. She said that SCEF will continue its exchange program with Bay Area co-ops of California.

OPELOUSAS----------
Wednesday, March 16, 1966
North Civic Center
7:30 p.m.

NEW IBERIA----------
Wednesday, March 16, 1966
A.B. Simon Elementary School
8 p.m.

LAKE CHARLES----------
Sunday, March 27, 1966
2007 Moeling St.
2:30 p.m.

KAPLAN----------
Tuesday, March 15, 1966
At a local residence.(check with your chairman)

ST. FRANCISVILLE---------
Wednesday, March 16, 1966
Masonic Lodge
6 p.m.

EAST FELICIANA----------
Wednesday, March 16, 1966
Clinton
8 p.m.

LAFAYETTE----------
Thursday, March 24, 1966
Heymann's Recreation Center
7:30 p.m.

FOUNDATION BOARD---------
Friday, March 18, 1966
Central Office
[illegible] p.m.

PEOPLES' BOARD----------
Monday, March 14, 1966
Central Office
7: p.m.

CONGRESS MEETS SUNDAY, MARCH 13

PLACE: St. Edwards Church
Corner of Lennard and French Sts.,
New Iberia, La.

TIME: SCC Board Meets
1 p.m.

Credit Committees Meet
1 p.m.

Chairmen Meet
1:30 p.m.

Custodians Meet
2 p.m.

General Congressional Meeting
3 p.m.

All SCC members are invited to attend the general congress.

NOTICE
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The central office staff is once again asking for volunteer service from the SCC members.

SCC has a limited staff and an over-abundance of work, therefore we must turn to the individual members for assistance.

Volunteers are needed for the following type jobs:

1. Answering the telephone
2. Clerical work -
   typing
   filing
   assembling papers
   research
3. Painting & yard work

CO-OP'S ARE PEOPLE

WHO DOES WHAT IN A CO-OP

A co-op is a group of people organized to provide themselves with goods or services. They have joined together to service a need. In a cooperative each member has one vote; membership is open to all and is voluntary; limited interest is paid on invested capital; and surplus is distributed as patronage refunds.

Often in a cooperative it is necessary to determine who does what. Such questions as the following frequently arise.

What should the members do at their local meetings? What should the members of the board of directors do? What is the job of the general manager - where does he take over? Where are the dividing lines and when is overlapping desirable?

"Regardless of how clearly the duties of each part or person in the cooperative organization is defined - and it is important that they are defined clearly - there is no substitute for good will, tolerance and interest on the part of many individuals who will be doing the jobs."

The jobs in a cooperative may and usually overlap in many cases. For example the co-op board should be ready to discuss problems the manager brings to it and make suggestions. But the board should never assume the duties of the manager. The co-op manager, in turn, should be free to make suggestions on policy, but always leave the decision-making to the board.

The following are the duties of the members, board of directors and manager of a co-op, taken from a leaflet prepared by the Maritime Co-operative Services,LTD.

DUTIES OF THE MEMBERS OF A CO-OP

1. To be loyal members and patrons of their co-op and to supply the finance necessary for its operation.
2. To know as much as they can about co-operatives and about their own in particular.
3. To attend local and annual meetings of the co-op and to decide on the policies that are to be passed on to the board from such meetings for the guidance of of the co-op's services.
4. To assist the board and manager by giving them information that could be important to the welfare of the co-op, but refrain from taking part in gossip.
5. At local meetings to receive, review and make decisions upon reports of the board regarding the conduct of the business.
6. To avoid assuming the duties of the board, manager or staff, except or unless defined duties are allotted to one or more in committee work.

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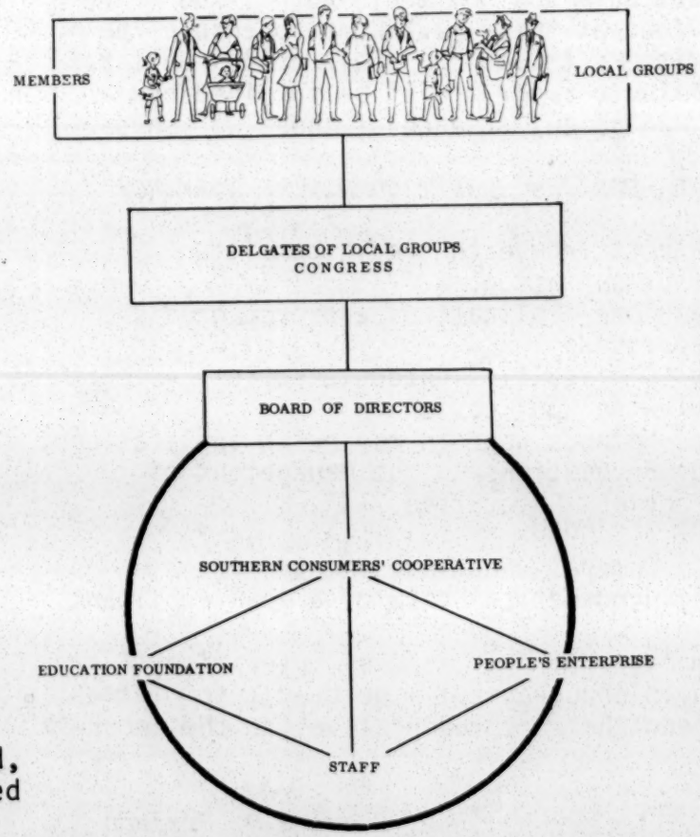
OUR CO-OP STRUCTURE



ORGANIZATIONAL CHART FOR SOUTHERN CONSUMERS' COOPERATIVE

CREDIT COMITTEES PLANS WORKSHOP

At the last board meeting of The Peoples' Enterprise certain policies were made concerning the credit committees which we would like to make you aware of.

Peoples' Enterprise board of directors was pleased to hear that the credit committees decided to try to review more carefully the loan applications and also that the credit committees will meet at every congressional meeting.

Peoples' board made it mandatory that at least one representative from each credit committee attend each workshop at the congressional meetings. If a credit committee misses two consecutive meetings it is no longer authorized to approve loans. It would then be up to that particular group to select a new committee.

Peoples' Enterprise cannot render efficient service to the SCC members unless the credit committees function properly.

A certian amount of training will be provided at these workshops to enable the committees to perform their duties better. A definite program will be outlined by the management at each of these workshops.

AGENDA FOR THE CREDIT COMMITTEE WORKSHOP

1. Report from each credit committee representation.
   a) loan applications approved or disapproved.
   b) Difficulties encountered in reviewing applications.
   c) Methods used in reviewing applications.
   d) Suggestions to the management of Peoples' Enterprise.
   e) The note.
   f) Interest and investment.
   g) Hypothetical case of a loan applicant.

As manager of The Peoples' Enterprise, I wish to encourage all the credit committees to send their representatives to the workshop.

Charles O. Prejean
Manager of Peoples'Enterprise

ATLANTA PLANS VOTER PROJECT

Southern Regional Council of Atlanta, Ga. has announced that the two million unregistered Negroes in the 11 Southern states and the two and a third already registered will be the focus of an enlarged Voter Education Project.

The special interest of the project will be fuller participation in citizenship for all persons in the South, but primarily Negro Southerners.

This Voter Education Project is a continuation of a similar endeavor operated by the Council from 1962 to 1964.

The project will work cooperatively with five major civil rights agencies as well as with non-affiliated local organizations.

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., Atlanta attorney, is director of the project, which is located in Atlanta.

WHO DOES WHAT IN A CO-OP
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DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. To act as a board and not as individuals. (outside the board meeting a director has no more authority than any other member)
2. To see that the co-op's policies are clearly defined and are followed in all operations.
3. To review business operations regularly and see that they are being done efficiently and within defined policy.
4. To employ or discharge the manager.
5. To arrange with the members for the finance necessary to carry out operations.
6. To arrange for and conduct annual meetings.
7. To do such other things that are conducive to the welfare of the co-op and which are within the jurisdiction of the board.

HELP WHEN YOU NEED IT

SOUTHERN CONSUMERS' has available for sharholders only group hospitalization protection by Blue Cross - Louisiana Hospital Service, Inc.

HOSPITAL ROOM AND BOARD $16.00 A DAY

PAID IN FULL REGARDLESS OF COST HOSPITAL SERVICE SUCH AS:

Drugs* Medicines * X-ray Therapy * Oxygen

Laboratory Services * Operating Room * Plaster Casts & Splints * Nursery Room

Electrocardiograph Examinations * Surgical Dressings *

SURGERY UP TO $300.00

YOUR SHARE

You pay the first $25 on hospital charges ..... Blue Cross will pay the balance.

THE COST TO YOU

SINGLE SHAREHOLDER $6.16 FAMILY $16.24

CONSUMERS HINT

HOW TO PICK A PILLOW

Bed pillows come in a confusing variety of sizes, filler types, tickings, price ranges, and performance claims.

There is a woeful lack of standards for size, so it is wise to measure your pillowcases to make sure you buy a pillow about one inch narrower than the pillowcase.

When you read the tag you may see "cut size," Finsihed size," or both. "Finished size" is the more meaaingful figure - but the actual dimension of a pillow were generally about one inch smaller than the stated "finished-size."

Synthetic Fiber pillows are usually firmer than feather-down pillows, but still feel more like the foam rubber pillows do. They are also less allergenic than feather pillows and as pillows go, reasonably priced.

Feather-filled or down-filled pillows or those with mixed feather and down fillings included both the best and wrost quality samples. Down is the softest and most costly of all filler.

Feathers combined with down make the pillow springier and firmer. Water-fowl feathers make softer, plumper pillows than do land fowl feather.

There is no Federal law that assures accurate labelling of pillow content, although the Federal Trade Commission has a guideline ruling; that a pillow labeled as down-filled is supposed to have no more than 15% feathers or other material in it. Some states do have legally enforceable regulations, but they are sometimes even more lenient than the FTC guidelines.

Consumer Reports recommends, for the sake of both comfort and durability, avoiding foam rubber-filled pillows made of shredded pieces or pieces cemented together.

CU's experts recommend 100% cotton ticking because it absorbs more perspiration than ticking of synthetic fabrics. It is important to buy ticking guaranteed against skrinkage.

(This hint to comsumers is provided as a service of Consumers Union.)

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CO-OP EXPLAINS FOOD FAIR

Members of Southern Consumers' Cooperative are still studying the possibilities of starting an experimental but educational project - foodfair.

A food-fair is a project in which the members purchase goods at wholesale prices and resell them to themselves.

"Food fair is a service and educational activity for members of a cooperative to learn from experiences the steps and work involved in conducting business activities. It can be used as a guide to judge how members will patronize their own cooperative." This is usually a monthly activity.

The basic principle of a food fair is not to conduct a part-time store. It is a monthly educational membership activity, which must be carried on in a businesslike way.

Southern Consumers' has more detailed information on the food fair project. Any local group of Southern Consumers' interested in experimenting with such a project may request additional information from the central office in Lafayette.

SOUTHERN CONSUMERS' COOPERATIVE

BALANCE STATEMENT

Ending January 31, 1966

ASSETS		
Cash on Hand and in Banks		$7,822.41
INVESTMENTS		
Peoples' Enterprise	$31,173.87	
Fruit Cake Project	29.578.49	
TOTAL INVESTMENT		60,752.36
FIXED ASSETS		
Unamortized Org. Cost	625.00	
Furniture, Fixtures, & Equipment	6,978.85	
Prepaid Insurance (Laf.-Lake Chas.)	572.00	
Building (Lafayette)	2,929.97	
Building (Lake Charles)	10,062.36	
Delivery Equiptment	641.00	
Land (Lake Charles)	5,000.00	
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS		26,809.18
TOTAL ASSETS		95,383.95

LIABILITIES & CAPITAL

Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	87.17	
FICA	38.09	
Mortgage Payable	1,637.17	
Total Current Liabilities		1,762.43
Long Term Liabilities		
Mortgage Payable	23,214.00	
TOTAL LIABILITIES		24,976.43
Capital		
Reserve	67.00	
Profit and Loss	-7,521.27	
Gain or Loss	-4,267.42	
Paid in Capital	82,129.21	
TOTAL CAPITAL		70.407.52
TOTAL LIABILITIES & CAPITAL		95,383.95

EDUCATION FOUNDATION
Southern Consumers' Cooperative, Inc.
P.O. Box 3005, Lafayette, Louisiana, 70501

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U.S. Postage
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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

FINANCIAL REPORTING

GRANT NO. _____

FOR WEEK ENDING June 23, 1967

REPORT NO. 5

AGENCY SOUTHERN CONSUMERS' EDUCATION FOUNDATION

DATE	CHECK NO.	TO WHOM PAID	FOR WHAT	SPENT IN; (CITY,COUNTY)	AMOUNT
2-13-67	63	Howard Austin	Salary	St. Landry Parish	$130.00
2-13-67	64	Howard Austin	Transportation	St. Landry Parish	15.00
2-13-67	65	Delores James	Salary	St. Landry "	15.00
2-13-67	66	VOID			
3-12-67	67	Emma Barnes	Salary	St. Landry "	100.00
3-12-67	68	Aristlle Carmon	Salary	St. Landry "	10.00
3-12-67	69	Daniel White	Salary	St. Landry "	20.00
3-12-67	70	Delores James	Salary	St. Landry "	20.00

WEEKLY CASH SUMMARY

1. Balance beginning of week $8.99
2. Add: Deposits $665.00
3. Total $673.99
4. Less: Disbursements above $643.25
5. Balance end of week $ 30.74

TOTAL (TO LINE 4)

I hereby acknowledge that I have examined the above figures and attached vouchers and that they are a true and accurate accounting for our expenditures of VEP funds for the period.

Signature Howard Austin

DATE	CHECK NO.	TO WHOM PAID	FOR WHAT	SPENT IN; (CITY, COUNTY)	AMOUNT
3-12-67	71	Howard Austin	Salary	St. Landry	$150.00
3-19-67	72	Alton Broussard	Salary	St. Landry	20.00
3-19-67	73	Lionel Daniels	Salary	St. Landry	20.00
6-23-67	74	Mary Ann Courville	Salary	St. Landry	10.00
6-23-67	75	Delores ~~JAMES~~ Lavergne	Salary	St. Landry	10.00
6-23-67	76	Howard Austin	Salary	St. Landry	100.00
6-23-67	77	Delores James	Salary	St. Landry	15.00
6-23-67	78	U. S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	Voter Education Manual	St. Landry	8.25

YES TO p's reply

June 29, 1967

Mr. Howard Austin
Director
Voter's Registration Project
Route 1, Box 554
Opelousas, Louisiana 70570

Dear Mr. Austin:

I have turned your letter of June 26 over to Mr. Vernon Jordan, who is the director of the Voter Education Project. In the meantime I am mailing under separate cover, for your use, a half dozen copies of "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign," in case you have not received this publication through another mailing.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

cc: Vernon Jordan

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JUN 28 1967

June 26, 1967

Mr. Marvin Wall
Director of Voter
Registration Project
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 Forsythe Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Wall:

Reference is made to my letter of February 13, 1967, concerning establishment of a communication center. I am pleased to inform you that the center is now organized.

I recognize that organizing such a communication network requires a degree of time, but not as much as I had expected since the date of my last communications. The reason for the delay was the need to attend to other pressing community problems. A group of us have just completed the ground work necessary for getting a sponsoring agency for a Head Start program for 700 children. The Head Start program has the green light for friday.

With this job completed we are now in a position to give full time to Voter Education and Registration.

November 4, 1967, will be the democratic primary election in St. Landry Parish. Residents of this parish must elect officials for the following offices: police jury, assessor, clerk of court, sheriff, representative and senator.

Your attention is invited to my letter dated October 12, 1966, narrative report covering the period of September through October 12, 1966. Specific reference is made to the attatched statistic sheet. This shows that we registered 439 persons and 175 others were known by name and address who were not registered.

With the publicity that James Meredith is getting marching through Mississippi for Voter Registration and the large number of parish offices to which persons will be elected in November I feel now is the most opportime to conduct a Voter Registration and Education drive. Its chances for sucess and its effectiveness are very good at this time.

Because of the reasons cited above I strongly urge that the St. Landry Parish Voter's Registration and Education Program be refunded and that consideration be given the recommendations which I made in my letter of October 12, 1966.

It has been my experience in working with Voter Registration and Education that the effectiveness of the program is directly related to the number of persons employed to make personal contacts. Therefore, I feel that a longer appropriation than the last one would be a great asset. However, I realize that you are interested in several states and a larger appropriation may not be possible. If this is in fact the case then we shall simply have to do the very best we can with the appropriation which is authorized.

Voter Education can be conducted until November 3, 1967, the date immediately prior to the election, but Voter Registration must be terminated on October 4. In view of these facts an immediate reply is respectfully requested so that we may expedite time needless to say this is a vitally important program at this time.

Your favorable consideration in behalf of the many under-privileged persons whose voting voices could never be heard were it not for you will be greatly appreciated.

Cordially yours,

Howard Austin

Howard Austin
Director of Voter's Registration Program

Enclosure

Howard Austin
Director of Voter
Registration Program
Route 1 Box 554
Opelousas, Louisiana
July 12, 1966

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AUG 15 1966

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta Georgia, 30303

Gentlemen:

In reference to your letter of July 27, 1966 to Mrs. Una Mae Hargrave, President of Southern Consumers' Education Foundation, of 425 General Mouton Street, Lafayette, Louisiana, this organization has established a seperate bank account and is sending to your office a copy of the signature card, the deposit slip, and the account number. The name and address of the bank is indicated on the deposit slip.

The bank has agreed to mail all bank statements directly to your office.

Sincerely yours,

Howard Austin

Howard Austin
Director of Voter
Registration Program

Enclosure 1: Signature Card
Enclosure 2: Account Number Card
Enclosure 3: Bank Deposit Slip Book

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N.W., ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

July 27, 1966

Mrs. Una Mae Hargrave
President
Southern Consumers' Education Foundation
425 General Mouton Street
Lafayette, Louisiana 70504

Dear Mrs. Hargrave:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Southern Consumers' Education Foundation for a grant to conduct a voter registration program, and a leadership training program in Lafayette, Louisiana. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $3,500.00 for a ten week program to run from August 1 to October 7, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to ten weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary @ $65.00 per week	$ 650.00
b)	Secretary @ $40.00 per week	400.00
c)	Printed matter	300.00
d)	(9) Task Force Workers (@ $ 15.00 per week)	1,350.00
e)	Transportation	500.00
f)	Telephone	100.00
g)	Rent	200.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Friday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report, and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your Project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, and programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

cc: Messrs, Charles Evers
W. C. Patton

August 15, 1966

Mr. Howard Autin
Director of Voter Registion Program
Route 1 Box 554
Opelousas, Louisiana 70570

Dear Mr. Austin:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 15, 1966

Planter's Trust and Savings Bank
Opelousas, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $700.00 to be deposited to the account of the Southern Consumers' Education Foundation, Voter Education Program. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Howard Austin:

August 29, 1966

Planter's Trust and Savings Bank
Opelousas, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $388.92 to be deposited to the account of the Southern Consumer's Education Foundation, Voter Education Program. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 29, 1966

Mr. Howard Austin
Director
Southern Consumers' Education Foundation
425 General Mouten St.
Lafayette, Louisiana 70504

Dear Mr. Austin:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your weekly report. Upon auditing your report, would you explain how you arrived at $156.00 for the salary of the Director? Mr. Jordan, in his letter of July 27, indicated that the Director's salary would be $65 per week, and for two weeks this would only be $130.00

Enclosed are the following a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

Route 1 Box 554
Opelousas, Louisiana
September 2, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Adminstrative Assistant
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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Dear Mr. Olive,

In reference to your letter of August 29, 1966, inquiring about the amount of $156.00 for the salary of a Director.

Mr. Jordan's letter indicated that this program would begin on August 1, 1966 through October 7, 1966. However, this office began working on Friday, August 5, 1966, which is four days after we were authorized to begin working. I, Howard Austin, the Director began working on Friday, August 5, and Saturday, August 6, 1966.

The Director is salaried at the rate of $65.00 per week. Since I worked two days, August 5 and 6, at the amount of $13.00 per day, two days would equal $26.00. Therefore, $26.00 plus 130.00 for two weeks would equal $156.00 for the salary of a director.

I am trusting that this explanation will be satisfactory. Further, if the office would have been opened on August 1, 1966 as authorized, the salary would have been $65.00 rather than $26.00.

Sincerely yours,

Howard Austin

Howard Austin
Director of Voter Registration Program

HA/dmj

September 20, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed is our weekly financial report and our receipts showing our purchases. Enclosed also, is a copy of the printing material and a copy of the letters that we are sending to churches and other organizations.

Sincerely yours,

Howard Austin

Howard Austin
Director of Voter Registration Program

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Enclosure:

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WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

W. P. MARSHALL
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

R. W. McFALL
PRESIDENT

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VOTER PROJECT SOU REGL COUNCIL INC 5,FORSYTH ST NORTHWEST
ATLA
ALL FINANCIAL REPORTS MAILED TO YOUR OFFICE. LAST BANK DEPOSIT
RECEIVED AUG 29 1966. THE TWO WEEKS CASH SUPPLY IS OVERDUE.
REQUEST STATUS OF SAME
HOWARD AUSTIN DIR OF VOTER REGISTRATION PROGRAM

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September 22, 1966

Mr. Howard Austin
Director of Voter Registration Program
Route 1 Box 554
Opelousas, Louisiana 70570

Dear Mr. Austin:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 22, 1966

Planter's Trust & Savings Bank
Opelousas, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $500.00 to be deposited to the account of the Southern Consumers' Education Foundation, Voter Education Program. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

BUDGET REVISION: Southern Counsumers' Education Foundation

VEP 66-85 Report due Friday of each week

10 Week Program Agust 1 to October 8, 1966

Type of Program: Citizenship Education

Director @ $65. per week	$650.00	
Secretary @ $40. per week	400.00	
Printed Matter	300.00	
x~~5~~ 9 (~~10~~) Field Workers @ $15. per week	~~750.00~~	1350.00
Transportation	500.00	
Telephone	100.00	
Rent	200.00	
		$3500.00

$3,500 for 10 weeks

Citizenship Education

6500
4000
3000
1350
500
100
200
3500

VEP PROGRAM

Lowndes	1,260	8,362	
Pike	2,090	6,936	
Tunica	468	5,822	
Wilkinson	597	4,120	
Adams	5,829	9,340	
Montgomery	67	2,627	
George	115	580	
Yazoo	1,051	8,719	
Lee	709	5,130	
Stone	101	868	
Scott	664	3,752	
Lafayette	775	3,239	
Quitman	1,238	5,673	
	36,190	149,264	24.2

October 11, 1966

Mr. Howard Austin
Director of Voter Registration Program
Route 1 Box 554
Opelousas, Louisiana 70570

Dear Mr. Austin:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Gooddluck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 11, 1966

Planter's Trust and Saving Bank
Opelousas, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $400.00 to be deposited to the account of the Southern Consumers' Education Foundation. Also enclosed are deposit slips.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

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Route 1 Box 554
Opelousas, Louisiana
October 17, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

I am in receipt of your deposit slip dated September 11, 1966 in the amount of $400.00. This amount is not enough to cover the payroll.

I request the amount of $200.00 to settle the current payroll.

The final report will be submitted soon there after.

The Telephone Company has been advised to disconnect the telephone. However, the amount of this bill will not be known until the end of October, 1966.

Sincerely yours,

Howard Austin

Howard Austin
Director of Voter Registration Program

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November 1, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed letter from this office dated October 17, 1966, to which no reply has been received.

Please advise as to when a reply may be expected.

Sincerely yours,

Howard Austin

Howard Austin
Director of Voter Registration Program

HA/dmj
Enclosure

November 3, 1966

Planter's Trust & Savings Bank
Oeplousas, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $200.00 to be deposited to the account of the Southern Consumers' Education Foundation, Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 3, 1966

Mr. Howard Austin
Director of Voter Registration Program
Route 1 Box 554
Opelousas, Louisiana 70570

Dear Mr. Austin:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 17, and November 1. Please accept my apology for the delay in replying.

I hasten to explain that my plans were to come down to Louisiana earlier; however, I will be down to Opelousas on Monday, November 21 for about two days to get better acquainted with you and your project. I would be interested in attending some of the workshops on citizenship education, and meeting members of your organization.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

December 5, 1966

Mr. Howard Austin
Director of Voter Registration Program
Route 1 Box 554
Opelousas, Louisiana 70570

Dear Mr. Austin:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

December 6, 1966

Planter's Trust and Saving Bank
Opelousas, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $665.00 to be deposited to the account of the Southern Consumers' Education Foundation. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

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Rt. 1, Box 554
Opelousas, Louisiana
January 5, 1967

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 Forsyth Street N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Reference is made to your letter of July 27, 1966 concerning a Voter Registration Program and a Leadership Training Program in Lafayette, Louisiana sent to Mrs. Una Mae Hargrove.

This letter authorized a ten (10) week program to run from August to October 7, 1966. The undersigned did comply with these instructions.

A deposit of $ 665.00 was made in the Planters Trust and Savings Bank for this program on December 5, 1966, reference your letter December 5, 1966.

Request further authority to continue said program since it was discontinued on October 7, 1966.

Sincerely yours,

Howard Austin

Howard Austin

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Route 1 Box 554
Opelousas, Louisiana
February 13, 1967

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Director
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

In reply to the information I received from Southern Consumer Education Foundation, in Lafayette, stating that you did not receive a copy of my final report. Enclosed here within, you will find a copy of this report, and if I can be of any further service to you please inform me.

Sincerely yours,

Howard Austin

Howard Austin
Director of Voter Registration
Program

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Route 1 Box 554
Opelousas, Louisiana
October 12, 1966

Mr. Marvin Wall
Director of Voter
Registration Project
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Wall:

In reference to your letter of August 1, 1966, pertaining to the Narrative Report due on October 10, 1966, covering the period of September, through October 7, 1966.

The scope of the organization was designated to work in St. Landry Parish, state of Louisiana, to direct a Voter Registration and Voter Registration Program for the Negroes in this parish. The program is staffed with a Director, a Secretary, and nine Tasks Force Workers. The office is located at 835 Perry Lane, Opelousas, Louisiana. In addition to that we employed ten other persons with private cars to take individuals to the Voter Registration Office. This function was charged to our transportation expenditures. The reimbursement for transportation was paid at the rate of .08 per mile.

The techniques utilized by this office to accomplish Voter Registration and Voter Education is described below:

(1) The intiated form with name, street, phone number, and the word registered, was used in our Voter Registration and Voter Education Program, (see enclosure #1). The Tasks Force Workers used this form to proceed from house to house looking for persons that were not registered to vote. Also see enclosed letter addressed to Mr. & Mrs. America. Copies of this letter was given to many persons.

(2) Your attention is invited to the enclosed statistic report.

a. The statistic report will give the results of the Voter Registration and Education Drive. There is still a large number of individuals in spite of th intense Voter

Registration and Voter Education Drive that has not registered or has not been contacted.

b. As stated in the previous reports, the Voter Registration and Education Program must be conducted in each home of those persons that are not registered as of yet. This action is necessary due to the fact that they fail to attend meetings and they do not pay any attention to radio and newspaper advertisment. However, upon entering their homes and giving a long talk on Voter Registration and Education, they become interested and indicate that they will get registered to vote. Then it requires another check with them in about five or six days to find out if they got registered to vote. At this time if they are not registered, it has been my policy to offer them transportation and usually this will get them to the Voter Registration Office.

c. I realize this is a slow process in getting every Negro person registered to vote. But, the more Negroes registered to vote, means that a candidate seeking office will have to work much harder to sell his program to the people. Realizing that there is a large number of Negro voters to sell his program to and know the possibilities of Negro voters, voting for or against him.

d. This office utilized every possible solution to get uninterested persons registered to vote and to motivate their interest in their givernment. The function and responsibility of our local government and positions they hold was explained to the non-registered voter in order to stimulate his interest and to make him aware of his responsibility to vote for the best qualified individual to represent him.

e. I also used the techniques of requesting help from all types of Businesses, such as Insurance Companies and their Agent, who goes into many thousands of homes to sell insurance, asking them to encourage non-registered voters to get registered to vote. I also solicited help from Pastors and Deacons to help in this Voter Registration and Education Drive. Many of these professional people invited me to speak at their Insurance meetings and church services and Parent and Teaches meetings.

The problem of the non-registered voters at this time, as I see it, is that some people are just finding out that there are no more illiteracy tests and harrassment by the local officials to disqualify them from voting. As previously stated in this report, it requires personal contact with each individual who are not registered and really sell them on the idea of getting registered to vote. Once they registered to vote, they will thank you the next time they see you for helping them.

Another problem I noticed is that people are working 60 or 70

miles out of town on seasonal jobs in an effect to earn enough money for their Christmas Holidays. There is a large number in this group that are not registered to vote. During the winter months these men will not be working. I believe they will get registered during this period. I am sure, if this Voter Registration Drive could be in effect during this winter season, we could increase our Voter Registration percentage by a large number.

As the statistic sheet will show there are 10,476 more white registered voters than Negroes in St. Landry Parish. I believe that there are several hundreds more Negroes that have not registered as yet. These people haven't been contacted personally or they fail to take heed to the radio and newspaper advertisment in getting registered to vote. However, there is still a great need for Voter Education and Voter Registration, because so many people are not interested.

I have enjoyed working with this Voter Registration and Voter Education Program, and I do feel that it has been a great success, especially in Voter Education, in so far as the the people contacted was concerned. It was surprising for me to find out that many educators was not aware of how simple and uncomplicated it is to get registered to vote.

In view of all the reports submitted, and the needs still existing for Voter Registration and Voter Education, I am making the following recommendations:

1. I recommend that the program be continued during the winter months. (November, December, January, and February) for operation in St. Lan dry Parish, Opelousas, Louisiana.

2. I am recommending that the Tasks Force Workers be paid $25.00 per week, and that $1500 be made available for transportation. This transportation expense will be used for the purpose of defraying the cost of transporting individuals to and from the Voter Registration Office. As pointed out in previous reports, there are many non-registered voters who lives 35 miles from the Voter Registration Office.

3. That the telephone allowance be $250.00. Realing that $100.00 is needed for deposit before the telephone can be installed.

4. That the Director salary be $75.00 per week and the Secretary's salary be $50.00 per week.

I know we will not use all the money provide for this program. If my recommendation above is not except, I further recommend that the unused portion of the funds be reallocated for the purpose of Voter Registration and Voter Education. The reason for the unused funds is that we were unable to secure

Tasks Force Workers with automobiles to go out into the rural areas and canvass for the salary as allocated, which is $15.00 per week.

Sincerely yours,

Howard Austin

Howard Austin
Director of Voter Registration Program

HA/dmj
Enclosures:

STATISTIC SHEET

NUMBER REGISTERED	439
MEETINGS	20
NUMBER CONTACTED BY MEETINGS AS OF OCTOBER 7, 1966	1,830
NUMBER KNOWN BY NAME AND ADDRESS NOT REGISTERED AS OF YET	175
WHITE REGISTERED VOTERS	22,100
NEGRO REGISTERED	11,624
WHITE VOTERS OUT NUMBER NEGRO VOTERS BY	10,476
NUMBER APPROACHED ABOUT REGISTRATION	2,919

YOUR VOICE IS SILENT

....unless you Register & Vote.

VOTER REGISTRATION QUALIFICATIONS

You can get registered at your **local Parish Court House.**

QUALIFICATIONS

1. You must be 21 years of age or older.
2. You must have proof of your age by bringing with you to the Parish Court House one of the following: 1) your birth certificate, or 2) your drivers license, or 3) your marriage license, or 4) your insurance policy, or 5) your Medi-Care Card, or 6) your discharge papers from the Armed Forces.
3. There are no forms to fill out. You will not be disqualified if you are unable to sign your name.
4. Further information, call Howard Austin at 948-8074 office number or 942-7865 residence number.
5. Be a resident of Louisiana for One Year, of the Parish for six months.

ROUTE I BOX 554
Opelousas, Louisiana

Mr. & Mrs America

Dear Citizens:

I am an American Citizen who have honorably served my country for over twenty years in the United States Army, and I have since my retirement worked deligently at getting each and every American of voting age registered to vote. Therefore, I solicit your assistance in making America a real Living Democracy by seeing to it that all citizens of voting age are registered to vote.

If you are a Pastor, a Deacon, a Brother, a Sister in a church, an Insurance Agent or a Director,or a self-employed individual or an employee, you can improve your business or profession if all of the people who look to you for leadership, direction, and guidiance are registered voters and active, well informed voters.

It is only through the ballot that we can make a reality out of great American Dreams and Ideas. Therefore, I humbly beg of you to forcefully urge all your people to become registered voters and to help make this country the true land of freedom, justice, and equality that it is supposed to be.

I suggest the following methods of encouraging your congregation to become a registered voter: (1) Set a date for all of your church members who are 21 years of age or older to become registered voters. (2) After that date, before starting your services ask them to hold up their Voter Registration Cards, this may continue for approximately a month, until everyone has registered to vote.

I suggest to the Insurance Agents and Directors when they go into homes of their Policy Holders to inquire politely and ask them to get registered if they are not. A notation could be made on their Debit Credit Sheet, "R" for registered and "NR" for not registered. Once you have all of your Debit Sheets with "R" on them, which would indicate registered, you will have contributed a great public service to the people of your community.

Your attention is invited to the enclosed Voter Registration Qualifications Pamplets. A copy of this pamplet is to be given to each none registered voter. A copy of this pamplet can also be posted in your establishment where it could be publically viewed.

I would appreciate an invitation to speak to any group concerning Voter Registration and Voter Education if I am invited to do so. My office phone number is 948-8074 and my resident number is 942-7865, Opelousas, Louisiana.

Your cooperation will be deeply appreciated in this Voter Registration Drive.

Sincerely yours,

Howard Austin

Howard Austin
Director of Voter Registration Program

_____ Enclosure-
Voter Qualification Pamplet

STREET _____

NAME	STREET NO.	PHONE NO.	REGISTERED

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MAY 8 1967

SOUTHERN CONSUMERS'

EDUCATION FOUNDATION

425 GENERAL MOUTON STREET · LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA 70501
P. O. BOX 3005 · PHONE: 232-1126

Dear Friends,

For a long time we at Southern Consumers' have stressed the fact that we are truly self-help and our policy has been to get our friends and fellow Co-op workers to buy our products but we have not appealed directly to you for help. Now, we find ourselves in the position that we must ask your help.

We are sure that through our Newsletter and contacts with our members you are aware that for some time we have been under harassement of the local power structure. Perhaps the enclosed T. V. presentation by Fr. McKnight can best give you a complete background as to what has been happening and the final event which has made it a must to defend our rights.

We have had to turn to legal consultants to really solve this problem once and for all. We are going to Federal Court on May 4th, in an attempt to get our books back and to put an end to the harassement by the local power structure. We are trying to raise over $5,000. in order to help with the legal expenses which are involved in this case and another law suit we have pending against us. The actual cost may go up to $10,000. or more, but we have been most fortunate to get the help and services of the Lawyers' Constitutional Defense Committee. We do not have to pay for their services but we certainly feel obligated to pay for the expenses involved since they are also pressed financially.

The legal expenses have gone up as the need arises, one example would be that the lawyers have had to hire a C.P.A. to help them familiarize themselves with the technical language of accounting so that they can ask the right questions.

Any contribution you or your organization can make will be of great help to us at Southern Consumers'.

Send your contributions to: Southern Consumers' Education Foundation
Att.: Legal Defense Fund
P.O. Box 3005
Lafayette, Louisiana 70501

The Education Foundation is non-profit and tax deductible. Thanking you for your interest and concern for our work.

Sincerely,

A J McKnight CSSp

Rev. A.J. McKnight, C.S.Sp.
Treasurer

Una Mae Hargrave

Una Mae Hargrave,
Education Director

ANSWER TO: "BAN THE AUDIT"

By: Rev. A. J. McKnight, C.S.Sp.

(Following is a T.V. presentation given on April 24, 1967. It is reprinted here to attempt to clarify our position and keep you informed of the recent harrassement in our area.)

I wish to congratulate Channel 3 on their sense of fair play in giving me this opprotunity to reply to Bob Hamm's Special Report on Arpil 18th on "Ban the Audit".

First I would like to state categorically and emphatically that we have never objected to an audit of the books of Southern Consumers' Education Foundation. (I made the motion at the special Board Meeting of Acadiana-Neuf, in November, 1966, that all the programs of Acadiana-Neuf be audited, that motion was amended to read, "All the programs of Acadiana-Neuf be audited by an integrated firm.") Peat, Marwick and Mitchell of New Orleans was the firm chosen. Why is it that to this day Southern Consumers' Education Foundation's programs were the only ones audited by the auditing firm?

We do object, however, loudly and strongly to the manner in which Southern Consumers' Education Foundation books were seized by the District Attorney. We also object and will fight in the federal courts the demand that we hand over the books of Southern Consumers' Co-op, which is a private company distinct from Southern Consumers' Education Foundation and which has never received any grants from the Federal Government.

Early on Tuesday, April 11th, the District Attorney and a Deputy Sheriff walked into our office, threw an illegal subpoena on the desk and started rifling through our desk drawers and files and taking whatever he wanted of Southern Consumers' Education Foundation and Southern Consumers' Co-op records. It was only after he had transported everything in his car that we finally succeeded in contacting a lawyer who after having had the subpoena and search-warrant read to him over the telephone spoke to the District Attorney. The District Attorney then changed his tune and became more reasonable. The illegal subpoena mentioned only the records of the Foundation which were concerned with programs sponsored under Acadiana-Neuf, not the other records of the Foundation and none of the records of the Cooperative. The District Attorney then returned everything to the office and with the assistance of the staff separated the records, taking only Southern Consumers' Education Foundation records connected with programs under Acadiana-Neuf. Later some of our accounts at places where we do business were seized.

On Tuesday, April 18th, a week after our office was illegally raided by the District Attorney, a legal subpoena was issued to an officer of the Board of both, Southern Consumers' Education Foundation and Southern Consumers' Co-op.

On Wednesday, April 19th the Daily Advertiser carried a large front page article about a letter which the District Attorney wrote to Southern Consumers' to aks their cooperation in having their books audited. We received the letter two days later.

Why didn't the District Attorney send the letter requesting our cooperation with the aduit before he raided our office or before he had it printed in the Advertiser? With so many poor people in Lafayette why ask for an authorization of $10,000.00 for a third audit?

We claim that the events of the last two weeks are just another in a series of harrassments and distortions of the truth against Southern Consumers' which dates back to last September.

Back in September the Daily Advertiser started carrying a series of articles on the War on Poverty in which Southern Consumers' Education Foundation and Southern Consumers' Cooperative was involved. Many half truths and distortions were printed. Not until the 19th article did the author come for a first hand interview with our staff members.

In October a law suit was filed against the Foundation. Out of the law suit charges were made that federal funds were missing. In answer an audit of Southern Consumers' Education Foundation was made.

The Auditing Firm, Peat, Marwick and Mitchell, did not discover any missing funds but did find bad bookeeping and made recommendations which have been followed.

Then came the communist scare, created by Headline stories in the Advertiser which resulted in the State Legislative Committee of Un-American Activities Investigation. At that hearing an outside C.P.A. who never saw our books made his interpretations of the Peat, Marwick and Mitchell audit report. Why didn't the Committee get a member of this firm which performed the audit to testify?

On Friday, April 7th, Mr. James Howard a Federal Auditor finished his preliminary audit of Southern Consumers' Education Foundation programs. Based upon his findings, Mr. Walter H. Richter the Director of the Office of Economic Opportunity, Southwest Regional Office in Austin, Texas, issued the following communication: *"preliminary audit report does not reveal any conduct by Southern Consumers' Education Foundation staff which could be characterized as intent to defraud the Federal Government or misappropriate Federal funds. A final statement on this issue can be expected after a full audit report has been made and the grantee has been given an opportunity to respond."*

We have been accused of being communists, which the State Un-American activity legislative committee was unable to prove. We have been accused of stealing federal funds which a preliminary federal audit report does not verify.

No matter what we do to answer false charges we will be vilified.

We cannot fight, as the saying goes, *City Hall*. We do not have the same access to the Daily Advertiser and Television Stations as our opponents. We do not have a public relations staff and we refuse to consume all of our time answering false charges. We have decided to ignore the charges and follow the dictum of Christ, who today would be called a communist: " *By their actions, you will know them."*

We have however, called upon the Justice Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation to make an investigation into the harrassment which has plagued the Foundation over the past nine months.

I would like to make the plea to the two television stations, Channel 3 and 10, to give me a half hour to tell the story of Southern Consumers' and it's purpose to the general public.

UEP-34

April 14, 1966

Mr. Richard Haley
Regional Director, CORE
2209 Dryades Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Haley:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of CORE for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Madison County, Louisiana. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,670.00 for a period of eight weeks, to run from April 25 to June 20, 1966.

In accordance with our agreement, the grant will cover voter registration in Madison County as follows:

a)	Four (4) Task Force Workers (@$25.00 per week)	$ 800.00
b)	Transportation	450.00
c)	Office Supplies	150.00
d)	Telephone	70.00
e)	Educational Materials	200.00
		$1,670.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips, and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit these reports and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of the number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs, Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Mrs. Barbara Patterson, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

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April 17, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan
Director, VEP Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Vernon,

The authorizations for the Ouachita and Claiborne Parishes projects arrived as per schedule. I have already begun discussions on these with Isaac Reynolds, Louisiana field secretary for CORE. Tomorrow(Monday) I'll work out the procedures for business operations with our local bank.

I am looking forward to receiving the Madison Parish authorization also. I have had several local queries---with which I concur---on the possibility of your funding a New Orleans project. Perhaps Nils Douglas' recent campaign ignited a blaze of interest in registration. I remember you spoke of having given or considered a grant to the local League of Women Voters. If so, blessings on them. However, at this point CORE does not know of this or any other such. We do know of a real need for voter registration work here in the city; so I'm pushing for you to turn your consideration in that direction as soon as possible.

I have a proposal ready, aimed at the 9th Ward. CORE would not wish to expand that proposal ; rather we would wish to extend it , into another area at a later date. What do you think?

Sincerely,

Dick Haley

Richard Haley
CORE Southern Office
2209 Dryades Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70113

April 20, 1966

Mr. Richard Haley
Regional Director, CORE
2209 Dryades Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Haley: RE: VEP 6- 34, -35, -36

In his letters to you regarding the CORE programs of voter registration which VEP is supporting in Madison, Ouachita, and Claiborne Parishes, Louisiana, Vernon Jordan mentioned the research requirements we must make.

It is our understanding that you from New Orleans will have the overall direction of these programs. I think, therefore, that it would be advisable for you to coordinate the gathering of the statistical data and forward it to us. We need to have the kind of information called for on the enclosed sheet for each parish for every two-week period the current program is in operation. Under separate cover we are sending a supply of these forms for your own use and the use of the workers in the three parishes.

Over the eight-week period we will also want two narrative reports detailing the organization of the campaign, its methods, and the response to it in each parish. We suggest that this information might most valuably be compiled by the Task Force personnel in the field. The first such report should come mid-way in the program---about May 25. The second should come at the conclusion of the present program and be in the nature of an evaluation of it. You should emphasize to these workers that as complete and candid a report as they are able to provide will assist both CORE and VEP in planning well for the future.

Will you send us also for our research records the names and addresses of the persons working in the three Parishes?

We wish you success and look forward to receiving the reports.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Barbara Patterson
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

BP:jr
Enclosure

May 3, 1966

Mr. Paul R. Hasperue, Jr.
Assistant Cashier
St. Charles - Jackson Branch
The National Bank of Commerce
in New Orleans
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Hasperue:

Enclosed you will find our check in the amount of $645.92 to be deposited in the account of the Regional Office of CORE, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Richard Haley

May 3, 1966

Mr. Richard Haley
Regional Director, CORE
2209 Dryades Street
New Orlenas, Louisiana

Dear Dick:

Enclosed you will find the following:

a) Our letter to the St. Charles - Jackson Branch; of The National Bank of Commerce in New Orleans, transmitting funds in the amount of $645.92.

b) Weekly reporting forms.

We hope that your voter registration program is going well.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosures

May 11, 1966

Mr. Paul R. Hasperue, Jr.
Assistant Cashier
St. Charles-Jackson Branch
The National Bank of Commerce
in New Orleans
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Hasperue:

Enclosed you will find our check in the amount of $500.00 to be deposited to the account of the Southern Regional Office of CORE.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosure

May 11, 1966

Mr. Richard Haley
Regional Director, CORE
2209 Dryades Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Dick:

Enclosed you wil find the following:

1) The copy of our letter to The National Bank of Commerce transmitting funds in the amount of $500.00.

2) Copy of the deposit slips

We hope that your program is going well.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosures

May 12, 1966

Mr. Richard Haley
Regional Director, CORE
2209 Dryades Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Dick:

In compliance with the provisions of our guidelines, we are forwarding a copy of your Bank Reconciliation as of April 29, 1966.

It is our sincere wish that your program is indeed successful, and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosure

May 31, 1966

Mr. Paul R. Hasperue, Jr.
Assistant Cashier
St. Charles- Jackson Branch
The National Bank of Commerce
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Hasperue:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $800.00 to be deposited to the account of the Southern Regional Office of CORE in New Orleans. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Richard Haley

May 31, 1966

Mr. Richard Haley
Regional Director, CORE
2209 Dryades Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Dick:

Enclosed are the following: a) Copy of our letter of transmittal to the National Bank of New Orleans, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report Forms for your weekly reports.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

Expense Report for
Week Ending June 11

Balance		$159.56
advance	$20.00	$20.00
Total		79.56

Disb.: Toll Charges $13.00

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Gas	$4.35	
Gas	$4.20	
Gas	$1.99	
Gas	$4.60	
Gas	$4.30	
Gas	$1.67	$24.11

Food

	Monday	Tues	Wed	
Breakfast	.62	.78	.81	
Lunch		1.27	1.14	
Dinner		.94		
Totals	.62	2.99	1.31 = 3.26	$6.87
				$30.98

Total Disb:	$30.98
Balance	48.58

Isaac Reynolds

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JUN 17 1966

June 15, 1966

Thaddeus Oliver
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Thaddeus:

Mike Robinson, one of our workers from Monroe, Louisiana was killed in an automobile accident Saturday, June 4th. Richard Haley and I feel that we should close the project in Monroe down as of today.

All bills in Monroe except the phone and car rental bill have been paid. We will pay the phone bill this week and our lawyer has suggested that we delay paying the car bill until we receive an accident report from the state police. We have received a verbal report from the police clearing Mike of any fault in the accident.

Mike had some VEP money and two VEP checks on his person at the time of the accident. I have cancelled the checks and enclosed them with the last report from Monroe. The VEP money Mike had was a small amount and rather than attempt to determine which money was which we will write that money off.

Sincerely,

Isaac Reynolds
Louisiana State Director
Congress of Racial Equality

IR/lmw
cc Vernon Jordan

2209 Dryades
New Orleans
70113

OFFICE USE ONLY

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

XXXXXXXXXXXX, Project Director

SOUTHERN REGIONAL OFFICE OF CORE

Budget Revision for Madison County 8 week program

April 25 to June 20, 1966

VEP 66-34 Reporting day Thursday

(4) Task Force Workers @ $25 per week	$800.00	
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Office Supplies	150.00	
Telephone	70.00	
Educational Materials	~~XXXXXXXX~~ 200.00	
		$1,670.00

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June 21, 1966

The National Bank of Commerce
New Orleans, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $500.00 to be deposited to the account of the Louisiana Committee on Registration. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Richard Haley

June 21, 1966

First National Bank
and Trust Company
P.O. Box 4248
Macon, Georgia 31208

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $36.43 to be deposited to the account of the Bibb County Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. William Randall

CORE SOUTHERN OFFICE
2209 Dryades Street
New Orleans, Louisiana
523-7625

June 22, 1966

Mr. Richarme
National Bank of Commerce
2201 St. Charles Ave.
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Richarme:

We wish to make a formal request that the bank stop payment on our check (Louisiana Committee on Registration-Education)for one hundred and forty dollars($140)payable to Howard Leasing Co.

The account number is 3660-03-518 and the check number is 128.

cc: Thaddeus Oliver

Sincerely,

Isaac Reynolds
Louisiana State Director
Congress of Racial Equality

July 12, 1966

Mr. Paul R. Hasperus, Jr.
Assistant Chashier
St. Charles-Jackson Branch
The National Bank of Commerce
in New Orleans
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Hasperus:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $600.00 to be deposited to the Louisiana Committee on Registration. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Richard Haley

TO: Mrs. John A. Campbell, Chairman
League of Women Voters Education Fund Registration & Voting Project

FROM: Bernice K. Lozier, Chairman, New Orleans Project

Subject: OPERATION REGISTRATION, NEW ORLEANS

DATE: December 15, 1965

All things considered, we feel that the first phase of Operation Registration was most successful (see attached clipping and chart, marked #1) There were many things both good and bad that played an important part:

IN OUR FAVOR

1. Passage of and compliance with on August 11, the Federal Voting Rights Bill.
2. A city-wide Democratic Primary election for Mayor and all city and parish administration. A Republican Primary in one city district for District Councilman.
3. Complete cooperation of all media and anyone else who was asked to help.

IN OPPOSITION

1. Though the Registrar of Voters complied with the Voting Rights Bill, it is generally acknowledged throughout the community that:
   a. There was a positive slowdown in the registration processing. Lines of hundreds ~~thousands~~ of people assembled daily only to be turned away.
   b. There was intimidation of citizens in the inconsistent demand for identification and proof of residency.
   c. There was a disfranchisement of over 4,000 people because they were encouraged to register without party affiliation (not proven), as Republicans, or as States Rights.
2. Hurricane Betsy disrupted t he City for months and struck the poorer Negro areas its worst blow (*see statistics Chart 1, Ward 9 Precincts 3,3A,5,6,6A).
3. A listless mayoralty campaign.

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Also to be noted. It was pointed out in an earlier report that 1,500 form letters were sent out inviting organizations to participate in OPERATION REGISTRATION. In the final analysis only 4 organizations played a significant role while individuals of two or three organizations worked tirelessly.

Attached to ; this report are examples of where most of OPERATION REGISTRATION money and effort was spent. A used mimeograph machine and a typewriter were purchased and a tremendous quantity of mimeographed material was distributed from flyers announcing neighborhood registration and Get-Out-The Vote Rallies, to canvassers forms, the mimeographing of the pink cards (attached) candidate questionaires (30 legal pages, 1000 copies distributed); preparation of workshop material (attached), announcements of all sorts, letters and notices.

Of the $5,138 in cash handled by the Education Fund, approximately $1,300 remains for our final push. The Stern Family Fund has a balance of $1,087 (for which we have "in kind" contributions from which to draw when the need arises. A balance of $62.00 remains in

our local Account at the National Bank of Commerce here in New Orleans. We managed to accumulate a total of $465 (only $265 was reported to the Stern Family Fund . . . balance came in after we submitted our request to them.) Most of this money was spent prior to the receipt by the Education Fund of our grant monies and was spent for paper and supplies, workshop luncheon and expenses.

The New Orleans election calander is very tight. Since the registration rolls close 30 days prior to an election there really isn't t oo much time left to reach our goal . . . which remains at 100,000!

General election - April 5 rolls close on March 4th

Special election to replace state legislators elected to the city administration date unknown at present.

First Primary for the Congressional election - approximately June 15 - rolls close approximately May 15.

OPERATION REGISTRATION's steering committee has planned a public relations approach to the General Election and a minimum expenditure of money. Louisiana Weekly (negro newspaper) has agreed to use our cartoons (see flyers, attach #2) starting this week with a reminder that there are no lines, etc. et.c Anyhow, with the Christmas holidays upon us and Mardi Gras fast approaching, it seemed wise to limit our activities. There is speculation at the moment that the Governor will call the Special Legislative Election to coincide with the New Orleans General Election. If this happens, there will have to be two primaries prior to April 5th. . . leaving very few registration days. Also in the speculative stage is a School Board Sales Tax Election which could be called at the same time as the General Election or at a time more advantageous to the School Board. Once again, perhaps, limiting registration days. (There is a story that one year there were so many elections in New Orleans that there were fewer than 20 registration days!)

Our future plans call for a "Leadership Clinic"*(see attach. #5) to be held as soon as possible after Mardi Gras followed by workshops and canvassing to begin on April 6th, immediately following the General Election in preparation for the Congressional Primary.*

Unless the Governor and the School Board (~~xxxx~~the Registrar of Voters could continue t o give us trouble) call extra elections, there should be enough registration days for us to at least come near to our goal.

Bernice K. Lesser, Chairman, OPERATION REGISTRATION

CC: Mrs. Philip Hermer, LWVEF
Mrs. David Brown Jr. LWV of La.
Mrs. Robert Johnston, LWV of NO

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December 26, 1965

Mr. Paul Anthony, Director
Southern Regional Council
44 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Anthony:

Charles Wittenstein told me the good news . . . congratulations!!

I thought you might be interested in seeing the enclosed report to the LWVEF on the first phase of OPERATION REGISTRATION.

It appears that I omitted the number of people registered in New Orleans . . . from August 11 to September 23 there were 12,220 people registered . . . 10,428 Negro - 1,792 White . . . our drive continued until October 6th and a rough guess of the total from August 11 to October 6th is 18,520.

Hope you had a Merry Christmas and will have a HAPPY NEW YEARS!

Sincerely,

Bernice Leder

Bernice K. Leder, Chairman

To: Vernon Jordan

Please return to general files. Thank you

December 29, 1965

Mrs. Bernice K. Leder, Chairman
Operation Registration
City-Wide Registration and Get Out
The Vote Drive
545 Saint Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Dear Mrs. Leder:

Thank you so much for your good letter. The results of your drive are impressive and it certainly would be good if somehow this program could be a permanent part of the New Orleans League.

I am passing this on to Vernon Jordan who will head up our new Voter Education Project. He and his staff will find this information very helpful, and if you have additional materials in the future I hope you will share them with him.

All good wishes for the New Year.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

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April 3, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordon, Jr., Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordon:

We have just concluded another registration period for another election in New Orleans, since I last spoke with you. The Orleans Parish School Board Sales Tax election has been called for May 3rd and unexpectedly the Registrar of Voters has taken a position in favor of the tax and reopened the registration rolls for those people who wanted to vote in the tax election . . . even though we have a general election scheduled for next Tuesday, April 5th. Because of this it is impossible to give you current registration figures in this letter.

Our plans are now being worked up for Phase II of OPERATION REGISTRATION. We expect to continue through the Congressional Elections in November. However, we find that it takes funds to run a successful registration, education and get-out-the vote drive. I hope this letter will serve as a formal application for a grant from the Southern Regional Council. Since you have received copies of our report to the League of Women Voters Education Fund, I will omit attaching samples of our progress to date. I do want to reiterate that over 18,5000 people were added to the New Orleans Registration Rolls from August 11 to October 6, 1965 during Phase I of OPERATION REGISTRATION and that the average voting participation in the first primary of our Municipal election averaged over 80% in the predominately Negro precincts . . . our target precincts.

The month of April will be our planning month with a large scale registration drive scheduled to begin Mid-May. The registration drive will continue into July when the rolls close to prepare for the first primary on August 13th. We estimate the largest expenditure of OPERATION REGISTRATION's budget during the registration period . . . May, June and July.

The registration potential in New Orleans is, as you ;know, great. Our goal is to add 50,000 people to the registration rolls . . . a goal that is realistic, with a little cooperation from the Registrar's office. He has been most cooperative during the past two weeks by agreeing to tape two spot radio announcements for us which saturated the 10 New Orleans radio stations!

As in Phase I, our steering committee consists of a representative of the N.A.A.C.P., CORE, The League of Good Government, the League of Women Voters, American Association of University Women, Council of Jewish Women, and the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance. Many other organizations have worked

with us and will continue to cooperate.

Initially we plan three workshops. The first, a Leadership Clinic, planned for May 5th and a day long workshop for workers on May 14th. The Saturday workshop will be divided into 2 sessions. The morning session will be devoted to the youngsters and the afternoon session to the adults. Mrs. Fannie Neal, Field Representative of C.O.P.E. .will be the main speaker at all three meetings.

We feel that our past successes are based on several premises:

> the city-wide approach to voter registration and education with concentrated canvassing, telephoning and promoting being done in selected target precincts is the only way a drive could be successful in a city like New Orleans.
>
> that a coordinated, umbrella approach working out of the League of Women Voters office, is acceptable to everyone

At this point we plan to concentrate on 35 predominately Negro Precincts. However, with interest in voting and registration on the increase and new organizations joining with us it is our belief that we will start our drive in May with 57 target precincts.

I am attaching a proposed budget for Phase II of OPERATION REGISTRATION. We expect additional monies from the Stern Family Fund made possible from matching local funds we were able to accumulate in Phase I. Note has been made of this in the attached budget.

I hope the Southern Regional Council can help us meet the rest of our needs and insure the success of PHASE II of OPERATION REGISTRATION.

Sincerely,

Bernice K Leder

Mrs. L. H. Leder, Chairman
OPERATION REGISTRATION

cc: Mrs. John Campbell, League of Women Voters Education Fund
Mrs. Philip Hammer, League of Women Voters Education Fund
Mrs. Robert Johnston, League of Women Voters of New Orleans
Mr. Arthur J. Chapital, Sr, Exec. Director, N. A. A. C. P., New Orleans

April 2, 1966

PROPOSED BUDGET - PHASE II OPERATION REGISTRATION, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

Administrative Expenses:		
Program coordinator expenses	$ 750.00	
Assistant coordinators (three) expenses	750.00	
Salary for one assistant $25.00 per weekm 20 wks	500.00	
		$2,000
Workers		
Workshops(three), materials, lunches, misc. 500 people at $1.00	500.00	
lunches and out of pocket expenses for canvassers	750.00	
		1,250
Literature and Office		
Registration rolls for 57 precincts @ $10	570.00	
Printing	1,500.00	
Mimeograph paper and supplies, office supplies	300.00	
Telephone and answering service	350.00	
Misc. expenses, postage	300.00	
		3,020
		$ 6,270.
less balance PHASE I		1,200.
		$ 5,070

April, 1966

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Ward I

	total	white	Col
P. 1-	257	150	107
2-	318	310	8
3-	398	355	43
4-	294	290	4
5-	274	256	18
6-	319	119	200
7-	720	11	709
	2580	1491	1089

Ward II

P 1-	326	285	41
2-	487	461	26
3-	268	258	10
4-	288	111	177
5-	737	10	727
6-	1237	2	1235
7-	660	273	387
	4003	1400	2603

Ward III

P.	total	White	Negro	D.
1	297	293	4	
2	203	164	39	
3	538	533	5	
3A	537	494	43	
4	458	138	320	
5	501	467	34	
6	379	173	206	
7	403	403	0	
8	326	143	183	
9	471	468	3	
10	374	373	1	
11	378	271	107	
12	353	350	3	
13	386	386	0	
14	455	455	0	
15	537	519	18	
16	423	422	1	
17	473	473	0	
18	556	556	0	
19	536	529	7	
20	566	566	0	
	9150	8176	974	

Ward IV

P.1	338	322	16
2	439	437	2
3	784	71	713
4	313	216	97
5-	431	411	20
6-	493	493	0
7-	475	475	0
8-	624	624	0
9-	569	569	0
10-	458	458	0
10 A	382	382	0
11-	510	510	0
12	317	317	0
13-	363	363	0
13A	471	471	0
14	434	434	0
14A-	466	466	0
15	473	473	0
16	414	414	0
16A	443	443	0
17-	578	578	0
17A	669	669	0
18-	630	630	0
18 A	604	604	0
19-	576	576	0

Ward IV Cont.

20-	391 -	391	0
20A	435	435	0
21.	428	428	0
21A.	386	386	0
22	657	657	0
23	609	607	0
	15,160	14,312	848

Ward VI Six (6)

P 1	317	316	1
2	366	366	0
3	367	314	53
4	413	95	318
5-	424	110	314
6	467	212	255
7-	429	346	83
8-	542	533	9
9	663	663	0
	3988	2955	1033

Ward 5

P1	492	492	0
2	372	316	56
3	383	354	29
4	369	95	274
5	550	0	550
6	613	48	565
7	423	99	324
8	340	191	149
9	339	228	111
10	665	606	59
11	428	414	14
12	464	462	2
13	532	532	0
14	560	560	0
15	469	469	0
16	395	395	0
17	482	482	0
18	537	537	0
19	466	466	0
	8879	6746	2133

Ward VII 7

P1	325	314	11
2	369	316	53
3	458	243	215
4	767	243	524
5	602	214	388
6	611	97	514
7	626	168	458
8	648	210	438
9	951	18	933
10	791	29	762
11	604	112	492
12	659	589	70
13	544	217	327
14	566	276	290
15	638	627	11
16	572	568	4
17	317	303	14
17A	381	371	10
18	593	593	0
19	494	494	0
20	303	34	269
20A	446	193	253
21	624	546	78
22	669	436	233
23	613	393	220
24	564	396	168
P25	665	368	297
26	481	401	80
26A	349	271	78
27	1247	27	1220
27A	509	2	507
28	517	187	330
28A	473	473	0
29	542	542	0
30	360	360	0
31	628	628	0
32	516	515	1
33	298	298	0
33A	403	403	0
34	551	481	70
35	712	708	4
36	505	505	0
36A	392	392	0
37	684	684	0
38	407	407	0
38A	478	478	0
39	569	569	0
40	642	642	0
41	401	401	0
42	358	358	0
	27,422	18,100	9322

Ward VIII 8

P1	235	233	2
2	434	431	3
3	348	346	2
4	393	379	14
5	385	354	31
6	468	462	6
7	502	499	3
8	562	491	71
9	526	373	153
10	486	474	12
11	443	311	132
12	603	600	3
13	354	250	104
13A	313	310	3
14	356	356	0
15	683	683	0
16	491	491	0
17	483	483	0
18	680	680	0
19	342	342	0
19A	380	380	0
20	494	494	0
21	569	569	0
22	347	347	0
22A	354	354	0
P.23	468	468	0
24	586	586	0
25	438	438	0
25A	478	478	0
26	466	464	2
26A	525	469	56
27	394	388	6
27A	438	298	140
28	608	607	1
29	533	533	0
30	523	514	9
	16,688	15,935	753

Ward 9 IX

P1	348	341	7
1A	376	307	69
2	544	543	1
3	639	177	462
3A	823	10	813
4	560	539	21
5	501	85	416
5A	535	231	304
6	1204	11	1193
6A	1067	4	1063
7	674	601	73
8	586	282	304
8A	515	181	334
9	443	409	34
10	623	592	31
11	421	416	5
12	548	544	4
13	453	450	3
14	562	557	5
15	630	628	2
16	554	554	0
17	691	680	11
18	433	427	6
19	667	619	48
20	330	326	4
21	621	477	144
P22	691	607	84
23	659	457	202
24	584	560	24
25	799	241	558
26	729	658	71
27	515	141	374
28	601	24	577
28A	1359	3	1356
29	404	375	29
29A	429	428	1
30	329	329	0
30A	532	532	0
31	551	551	0
31A	478	478	0
31B	843	4	839
31C	860	0	860
32	493	298	195
33	402	402	0
33A	350	350	0
34	534	221	313
35	516	383	133
36	820	473	347
36A	547	424	123
37	389	389	0
37A	462	462	0
38	655	655	0

Ward 1x 9 Cont

P. 38A	383	383	0
39	411	411	0
39A	400	399	1
39B	349	349	0
40	433	433	0
40A	376	376	0
41	660	660	0
42	478	478	0
42A	479	479	0
43	698	698	0
44	718	715	3
45	611	610	1
	36,875	25,427	11,448

Ward x 10

P1	213	197	16
2	262	171	91
3	295	292	3
4	342	320	22
5	349	345	4
6	402	401	1
7	396	392	4
8	443	441	2
9	472	471	1
10	526	416	110
11	451	359	92
12	696	31	665
13	830	13	817
14	440	16	424
	6117	3865	2252

Ward 11

P1	375	252	123
2	455	408	47
3	461	401	60
4	544	514	30
5	506	448	58
6	317	308	9
7	312	307	5
8	554	549	5
9	540	529	11
10	613	464	149
11	885	56	829
12	897	16	881
13	976	16	960
14	1106	75	1031
15	815	45	770
	9,356	4,388	4,968

Ward 12

P1	511	499	12
2	555	370	185
3	604	445	159
4	470	446	24
5	593	587	6
6	532	478	54
7	538	520	18
8	369	369	0
9	527	252	275
10	482	429	53
11	644	236	408
12	360	250	110
13	768	24	744
14	399	180	219
15	483	0	483
16	664	167	497
17	434	430	4
18	556	510	46
19	345	207	138
20	551	407	144
	10,385	6,806	3,579

Ward 13

P1	474	398	76
2	560	467	93
3	480	439	41
4	628	471	157
5	670	294	376
6	426	387	39
7	450	372	78
8	600	499	101
9	579	545	34
10	469	468	1
11	541	194	347
12	433	248	185
13	624	141	483
14	800	339	461
15	566	566	0
16	593	593	0
	8,893	6,421	2,472

Ward 14 Cont'd

P25	543	410	133
26	738	7	731
	15,426	14,428	998

Ward 14

P1	536	536	0
2	504	504	
3	559	558	1
4	456	455	1
5	527	526	1
6	615	579	36
7	644	641	3
8	559	559	
9	589	589	
10	503	468	35
11	570	568	2
12	586	581	5
13	446	445	1
14	593	593	
15	574	574	
16	642	641	1
17	633	633	
18	425	424	1
18A	376	376	0
19	568	562	6
20	645	642	3
21	665	627	38
22	489	489	
23	592	592	
24	384	384	
24A	465	465	

Ward 15

P1	516	516	
2	464	453	11
3	570	569	1
4	555	555	
5	553	204	349
6	427	132	295
7	517	279	238
8	563	458	105
9	468	367	101
10	616	427	189
11	685	202	483
12	386	18	362
12A	534	469	65
13	790	763	27
14	403	293	110
14A	720	720	
14B	644	639	5
15	675	473	184
15A	606	593	13
16	488	488	
17	466	466	
17A	541	541	
18	591	591	
18A	230	229	1
18B	520	520	
19	770	490	280
	14,280	11,805	2,475

Ward 16

P1	760	307	453
2	611	605	6
3	646	512	134
4	622	442	180
5	533	509	24
6	708	519	189
7	538	533	5
8	530	530	
9	593	258	335
	5,541	4,215	1,326

Ward 17

P.	503	458	45
2	387	330	57
3	501	309	192
4	340	277	63
5	612	406	206
6	706	77	629
7	660	617	43
8	531	524	7
9	648	450	198
10	590	581	9
11	710	411	299
12	517	517	
13	633	389	244
13A	544	21	523
14	354	354	
14A	409	146	263
15	583	482	101
16	617	282	335
17	524	524	
18	503	503	
18A	422	422	
19	504	504	
19A	380	380	
20	394	394	
21	473	473	
	13,045	9831	3214

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May 9, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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Dear Mr. Jordan:

It certainly was good speaking with you. I am so pleased that you will be able to join us at our Workshop on May 21.

As we discussed on the telephone, I welcome your trip to New Orleans as an opportunity to clear up some of the questions that have been unanswered about our city.

At the present time, according to the Registrar of Voters, there are 175,000 citizens of New Orleans eligible to register and participate in the affairs of government. The figures speak, I think, for themselves. There is a tremendous need here for both voter registration and voter education. Until more people are added to the registration rolls, it is our feeling that both registration and education go hand in hand . . . one cannot be accomplished without the other. Hopefully this year we will continue to make tremendous inroads into the list of unregistered. Next year, an intensive voter education program involving all phases of citizen involvement and participation, will be feasible. The problem at the moment, is basic civics. . . motivation.

Please let me know when you plan to arrive and I'll try to arrange a meeting immediately. My home phone number is 282-5330 or 288-2400. . . my address 4700 Press Drive.

Sincerely,

Bernice Leder

Mrs. L. H. Leder

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May 12, 1966

Dear Friend:

You have been selected to participate in a Voter Registration Workshop to be held at Rabouin Vocational High School Auditorium, 727 Carondelet, on Saturday, May 21st from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

We hope that this meeting will provide an opportunity for sharing skills that will be useful in conducting an intensive voter registration drive in New Orleans from June 1 through July 13th.

July 13th is the last day for registration for the Congressional Primary election on August 13th.

Please plan to be with us on May 21. A very interesting program is planned. Luncheon will be provided.

If you cannot attend please call me at the above numbers or at 282-5330 . . . or call Mrs. E. Morial at 288-0072.

Sincerely,

Mrs. L. H. Leder, Chairman

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May 13, 1966

Operation Registration is coordinating a Voter Registration Workshop on Saturday, May 21st at Rabouin High School Auditorium, 727 Carondelet from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

We hope that this meeting will provide an opportunity for learning and sharing skills that will be useful in conducting an intensive voter registration drive in New Orleans from June 1st through July 13th when the rolls close to prepare for the Congressional primary on August 13th.

We have learned of your interest in the problems of voter registration and would like very much to invite you, and your Congregation to attend our meeting.

We would appreciate it if you would make an announcement of the meeting at Church services this Sunday. Luncheon will be provided.

Sincerely,

Bernice Leder

Mrs. L. H. Leder, Chairman

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May 16, 1966

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Thank you very much for agreeing to participate in our Voter Registration Workshop on Saturday, May 21st. I am enclosing a copy of the adgenda for the meeting.

This Workshop will kick-off an intensive city-wide Voter Registr= ation Drive in New Orleans. The Drive will run from June 1st through July 13th when the rolls close to prepare for the Con- g ressional Primary election on August 13th.

If you have any questions, please call me at the above phone numbers or at 282-5330.

Sincerely,

Jerry Leder

Mrs. L. H. Leder, Chairman

P. S. I've made reservations for you and Mrs. Jordan at the Royal Orleans Hotel in the French Quarter. They'll hold the reservations until 6:00. If you're going to be later that 6:00 let me know and I'll arrange for a later arrival.

Please let me know when you do arrive . . . I'd love to get together for a drink!

AGENDA

OPERATION REGISTRATION WORKSHOP
Saturday, May 21, 1966 - Rabouin High School

10:00 - 10:10 Rev. Milton Upton
Greetings - Mrs. L. H. Leder, Chairman Operation Registration
Mayor Victor A. Schiro

10:10 - 10:15 A. P. "Tim Gallinghouse, Registrar of Voters, Orleans Parish

10:15- 10"30 Dr. Carl Dolce, Superintendent of Schools, Orleans Parish. As the moving factor in a successful Sales Tax Election Dr. Dolce will speak on the importance of the participation of citizens in elections, particularly in the recent election - only 10 percincts of the 387 were lost. The election won by better than a 2 to one majority.

10:30 - 11:00 Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director, Voter Education Project, Southern Regional Council

11:00 to 12:00 Panel: Government of the People via Voter Education-Registration
Moderator: Councilman at large, John Petre

Mr.,Ernest Morial, Asst. U. S. Attorney
Mrs. Gloria Kabakoff, Democratic Women's Organization
Rev..A. L. Davis, Pres, Interdenominational Minist erial Alliance
to be replaced
Councilman at large, Maurice E. Landrieu

Lunch

1:00 - 1:30 Techniques of a Voter Registration Drive:
Mrs. Dorothy Berthy
Mrs. Rita Legrande
Raphael Casimere
James A. Comiskey, Jr.

1:30 - 2:45 District Group Meetings

3:00 Reports from District Chairman
Questions and Answers

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OPERATION REGISTRATION WORKSHOP

Saturday, May 21, 1966 - Rabouin High School

10:00 - -	Rev. Milton Upton
10:00 - 10:05 -	Mrs. Lawrence H. Leder, Chairman Operation Registration
10:05 - 10:10 -	A. P. Gallinghouse, Registrar of Voters, Orleans Parish
10:15 - 10:30 -	Dr. Carl Dolce, Superintendent of Schools, Orleans Parish
10:30 - 11:00 -	Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director, Voter Education Project, Southern Regional Council
11:00 - 12:00 -	Panel: Government of the People via Voter Education and Registration. Councilman at Large, John J. Petre - Moderator Mr. Ernest Morial, Asst. U. S. Attorney Mrs. Gloria Kabacoff, Democrat Women's Organization Mr. Maurice E. Landrieu, Councilman at Large Mr. Jackson Acox, O.P.P.V.L., Executive Secretary

Lunch

1:00 - 1:45 - -	Techniques of a Voter Registration Drive Mrs. E. Morial - Moderator Mrs. J. Legrand Mr. Raphael Casimere Mrs. Dorothy Berthey Mr. James A. Comiskey, Jr.
1:45 - 3:00 - -	District Group Meetings
3:15 - 4:00 - -	Reports from District Chairmen - Questions
4:00 - -	Rev. Richard Swift, S.S.J.

Inside New Orleans

Saturday, May, 1966, New Orleans, La

Registration Drive Begins Saturday

A Voter Registration Workshop Saturday, May 21, at the Rabouin High School Auditorium will kick off OPERATION REGISTRATION, an intensive city-wide registration drive, according to Mrs. L. H. Leder of the League of Women Voters.

Speakers on the 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. program will include A.P. "Tim" Gallinghouse, Registrar of Voters for Orleans Parish; Dr. Carl Dolce, Superintendent of Schools; Councilmen John Petre and Maurice E. Landrieu; Ernest Morial, Asst. U.S. Attorney and Rev. A.L. Davis, President of the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance.

Mayor Victor H. Schiro opens the conference.

Topics to be discussed include "Government of the People via Voter Education-Registration" and "Techniques of a Voter Registration Drive."

Louisiana Weekly 5/19/66

Voter Registration Workshop To Kickoff City-Wide Drive

"Operation Registration" will hold a Voter Registration Workshop to kick off an intensive city-wide Registration Drive on Saturday, Mrs. L. H. Leder, chairman, announced.

The Workshop will be held at Rabouin High School Auditorium from 10:00 a.m. til 4:00 p.m. Luncheon will be provided.

A very interesting program is planned. Anyone interested in helping with this drive is cordially invited to attend.

Operation Registration a composite of many organizations and individuals in the City of New Orleans interested in increasing voter registration and education is coordinated by the League of Women Voters under the chairmanship of Mrs. L. H. Leder.

Participants and featured speakers for the Saturday morning session include Mayor Victor H. Schiro, the Rev. Milton Upton, Mrs. Leder, Registrar of Voters A. P. "Tim" Gallinghouse, Dr. Carl Dolce, superintendent of Orleans Parish public schools; Vernon Jordan, director, Voter Education Project, Southern Regional Council; and panelists Councilman at-large John J. Petre, Asst. U. S. Attorney Ernest N. Morial, Mrs. Gloria Kabakoff, Democratic Women's Organization; the Rev. A. L. Davis, president, Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance, and Councilman at large Maurice E. Landrieu.

The afternoon session will begin with discussions on "Techniques of a

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Voter...

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Voter Registration Drive," featuring Mrs. Dorothy Berthy, Mrs. Rita Legrande and Raphael Casimere.

Other activities will include district group meetings, reports from district chairmen, and a question - and-answer period.

UEP-53
TO

May 24, 1966

Mrs. L. H. Leder
Chairman
OPERATION REGISTRATION
545 Saint Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mrs. Leder:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of Operation Registration for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in New Orleans. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,940.00 for a six weeks program to run from May 30 to July 8, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's salary @ $65.00 per week	$ 420.00
Secretary @ $45.00 per week	270.00
Task Force Workers (10) @ $15.00 per week	900.00
Transportation.....	500.00
Office Supplies	125.00

Postage and Printing.....	$ 275.00
Workshops - 3	
(no lunches)	300.00
	$2,940.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank, the Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program, a copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due on Wednesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Mr. Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

operation registration

CITY-WIDE REGISTRATION
AND GET OUT THE VOTE DRIVE

545 Saint Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130
524-5201 523-5968

May 25, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

How good it was to meet and speak with you while you were in New Orleans over the weekend. Thank you very much for participating in our Workshop!

I am enclosing copies of our pre-Workshop publicity . . . as well as copies of our letter of invitation and notification to the Clergy. Covrage of the Workshop appeared on Channel 6 (WDSU TV) and I was int erviewed on Channel 12 (WVUE TV). Both appeared on the Saturday evening News on May 21. I also had a 10 minute interview on WYLD Radio on Sunday morning, May 22, on their hourlong program "Sunday Supplement".

I am also enclosing copies of our brochure and identification tag. 40,000 of this brochure have been printed. 30,000 are being distributed today to the Catholic Parochial school which close Friday, (May 27) for the year. We are preparing a less expensive version of the brochure for distribution to all public school children (110,000) and for canvassing purposes.

Our Steering Committee will meet Monday evening, May 30th to complete plans for Phase II. The committee includes:

* Mrs. Margaret Hutchinson, League of Women Voters of N. O.
Mrs. L. H. Leder, League of Women Voters of N. O.
Mrs. Ernest Morial, League of Good Government
Mrs. Mary Sands, American Association of University Women
Mr. Arthur J. Chapital, Sr., N. A. A. C. P.
Mr. Wilfred Aubert, N. A. A. C. P.
Rev. A. L. Davis, Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance
* Mr. Henry Dejoie, Ninth Ward Registration Committee

*New members

As I told you when we spoke at the Workshop, most of the decisions have, in the past, been made by me . . . always aft er informal conversations with the more active members of the committee. In Phase I the Committee was much larger and met sporadically in time of crisis or for broad planning. However, after speaking with the more active participants (present committee, above) it was mutually decided to have a representative group of the leadership and eliminate the ~~xxx~~ small splinter groups from the Steering Committee. The Committee plans to meet every two weeks. If it meets with your approval we would like to set up a financial committee, including Mrs. Sand, Mrs. Morial and myslef.

District meetings are being held this week (with left over sandwiches and cakes from the Workshop as unexpected refreshments) and the Drive is on its way. I am attaching a precinct by precinct breakdown of the registered voters in New Orleans as of April 30. I have circled the present Negro target areas. I will keep you informed as we spread out and add new precincts.

As we discussed, the drive in New Orleans is both a public relations and broad ap proach to Voter Registration and Education while a concentrated effort is made to reach each potential voter in our target areas by person-to-person contact.

Did I tell you that Operation Registration has gotten free of charge, Ward and Precinct maps as well as the entire list of those persons registered <u>without</u> party affiliation. Our canvassers are encouraging these people to affiliate with a party. . . a party of their choice . . . . if they want to participate in primary elections. As you know, in New Orleans, as in most one-party cities, if you cannot vote in a party primary you are practically disfranchised from voting!

Please send my regards to Mrs. Jordan.

Sincerely,

Bernice

Mrs. L. H. Leder, Chairman

May 31, 1966

Mr. Paul R. Hasperue, Jr.
Assistant Cashier
St. Charles- Jackson Branch
The National Bank of Commerce
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Hasperue:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $800.00 to be deposited to the account of the Southern Regional Office of CORE in New Orleans. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Richard Haley

operation registration

CITY-WIDE REGISTRATION
AND GET OUT THE VOTE DRIVE

545 Saint Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130
524-5201 523-5968

June 1, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr. Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.,
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia, 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

The attached letter was written and ready to be mailed upon receipt of your letter of May 24th. I decided to hold up sending it along to you until the Steering Committee met. Due to circumstances beyond my control, our meeting had to be postponed however, I have been able, at last to have spoken with each member of the committee.

Needless to say, we are grateful to the Southern Regional Council and the Voter Education Project for their confidence in us. . . and of course, to you for yours. However, it is the concensus that since we plan to work very closely with the Steering Committee in PHASE II of Operation Registration, and since we have set up a financial committee, would it be possible to alter the budget a bit to fit the specific needs of our community?

We question salaries for the Chairman as well as for Task Force Workers. The participants at the workshop were only a small part of our workforce . . . a workforce that we expect will work diligently. Where does one begin and end paying a task force? And can we expect those not being paid to continue knocking themselves out? As to the salary for the Chairman. The $750 on our original budget was, believe it or not, to cover my baby sitting expenses and those other obvious expenses that occur for the period April - November. Perhaps we're only bickering over terminology but I'd hate to have those people who don't yet completely trust me think I was involved "for what I could get out of it". When you and I talked at the Workshop I got the impression that you understood our problems here in New Orleans.

We do expect to incur some transportation expenses . . . however, we do expect to be able to get much of this donated. Our printing bill at the moment is almost $1,000. The Workshop bills have been submitted to the League of Women Voters Education Fund and are being paid by them.

Per your requirements we have set up a bank account here in New Orleans. They have been instructed to send <u>all</u> communications to you in Atlanta. I am enclosing mail deposit slips. The account is at the Hibernia National Bank, Gentilly Office. The account #22-72-7103-5

We have set up the account so that checks drawn upon it will require two of the three signatures of our Financial Committee.

All goes well with us. Mrs Henry Dejoie of the Ninth Ward Registration Committee seems pleased with the way things are going.

Once again, thank you for everything.

Sincerely,

Lerner

Mrs. L. H. Leder, Chairman

June 3, 1966

Mrs. L. H. Leder
Chairman
Operation Registration
545 Saint Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana

In Re: VEP-6-53

Dear Mrs. Leder:

In his letter of May 25, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms may also be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program began May 30, we will need reports from you on June 13, June 27, and July 11.

In addition, we will need two narrative reports from you -- one on June 30 and another on July 15, after your program has been completed. These longer reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Please do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your prpgram or from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or of importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program.

We wish you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:nm

June 14, 1966

Mrs. L. H. Leder
Chairman
Operation Registration
545 Saint Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mrs. Leder:

On Friday, June 17 I plan to be in New Orleans, and will leave on the following Sunday at 1:15 p. m.

I would appreciate being able to discuss with you several items concerning the project, and trust this will meet with your approval.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm

June 15, 1966

Mr. L. H. Leder
Chairman
Operation Registration
545 Saint Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mrs. Leder:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited to your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

June 15, 1966

Gentilly Office
The Hibernia National Bank
P. O. Box
Gentilly Station
New Orleans, Louisiana 70122

Gentlemen:

Encosed is our check in the amount of $1,500 to be deposited to the account of the Operation Registration. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. L. H. Leder

New Orleans VEP
La

June 21, 1966

Mrs. Lawrence H. Leder
4700 Press Drive
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mrs. Leder:

This brief note is to thank you for the invitation to the Steering Committee meeting on Thursday night. The meeting was most informative and well attended, thanks to your efforts.

Please convey to your husband and children, my sincere thanks for everything.

May you continue to enjoy success in this and future efforts.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

June 21, 1966

Mr. John Sargent
2525½ Larmanche Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear John:

This brief note to thank you for everything during my stay in New Orleans. You are rendering a great service to your city and community.

Please convey to your wife my sincere thanks for everything. Since this was my first trip to New Orleans, I was grateful to you for the assistance given me.

May you continue to enjoy success in this and future efforts. If you are ever in Atlanta, please give me a call.

Sincerely yours,

Thad
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

June 21, 1966

Mr. W. S. Aubert
1826 Andry Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Aubert:

This brief note is to thank you for everything during my stay in your city. May I congradulate you for the great service you are rendering to your city and community.

Please convey to members of your staff my sincere thanks. Since this was my first trip to New Orleans, I was most grateful for everything.

May you continue to enjoy success in this and future efforts, and if you are ever in Atlanta, please give me a call.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

June 21, 1966

The National Bank of Commerce
New Orleans, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $500.00 to be deposited to the account of the Louisiana Committee on Registration. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Richard Haley

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Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

~~Wiley A. Branton~~, Project Director

BUDGET REVISION VEP 66-53 Report due Wednesday of each week

6 Weeks Program

May 30 - July 8, 1966

Director @ $~~60~~ 65 per week	~~$360.00~~	420.00
Secretary @ ~~$35~~ ~~40.00~~ 45.00 per week	~~210.00~~	270.00
Task Force Workers (~~5~~ 6 10) @ $15 per week	~~450.00~~	~~540.00~~ 900.00
Transportation	500.00	
Office Supplies	125.00	
Telephone Expenses	150.00	
Postageand Printing	275.00	
Workshops (no lunches) (3)	300.00	
		~~2490.00~~
		2940.00

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2940.00

Dear Ted -
Please attachments
sent Wall -
Bernie

July 12, 1966

Mr. Marvin Wall, Director of Research
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Wall:

The very nature of our voter registration drive precluded sending bi-weekly reports of the kind you requested. I shall try in this report to group our findings in such a manner that the information requested on your report forms is furnished. Among our reasons for this approach are: Accurate figures from the Registrar's office are only available monthly (only ward totals have been made available to us weekly); most of our actual canvassing was done in the Negro precincts, but ours was a citywide drive including all precincts; finally the apathy of the people must be considered.

In an effort to establish some sort of an issue . . . we couldn't even say the Registrar was discriminating because there weren't enough "testers" . . . we tried a last ditch stand in the spot announcements enclosed. The next election is an August 13th Primary for a U.S. Senator and Representative (Ellender and Hebert the incumbents are sure winners) and 4 Judges, but the spots push the November 8th General Election, because we feel it might be an "issue". With all our elections and the registration office closing 30 days prior to each one, things do get a bit complicated here in Louisiana!

We tried everything, including equating the Mississippi March for the right to vote with our empty registration office as you will see in the enclosed clippings. #8

Enclosure #1 Monthly report precinct by precinct of an apathetic city. Since the figures alone do not tell the story . . . also attached to this enclosure is a newspaper clip sheet published monthly by the Registrar's office giving the actual new registrants by precinct and ward.

Also a ward by ward report of persons presenting themselves for registration - number actually registered - number not registered because of faulty identification and number scratched. It is my belief that only by studying all of these can one get an actual picture of what happens in the Orleans Parish Registration office.

The registration drive was kicked off by a Workshop on May 21st. Prior to that date we held an organization meeting of all district chairmen at my home to make actual responsibility breakdowns . . .

Enclosure #2 Assignment breakdown. Negro precincts are circled in red. Each of the following precincts has an average of 6 canvassers per precinct; met at least once a week and canvassed at least twice a week:

Ward 5 - *Precincts 4-5-6-7
Ward 6 - *Precincts 4-6-7 one bus - no passengers
Ward 7 - *Precincts 26-26A-27-27A-28 2 buses - 1 passenger, 10 passengers
Ward 9 - *Precincts 3-3A-5-5A-6-6A-8-8A 5 buses - averaging 23 passengers, on 4th 14 or 8th
Ward 2 - Precincts 5-6 1 bus - 1 passenger
Ward 11 - Precinct 13 2 buses - 1 passenger, on 2nd 1
Ward 9 - Precincts 28-28A 2 buses - 10 passengers each
Ward 15 - all 25 Precincts

*canvassing done mostly by youths supervised by adults. It should be noted that these youngsters are all very disappointed and disillusioned.

I have not been able to get reports from any of the other groups. they have not attended any of the meetings.

Enclosure #3 Report meeting notices and newspaper coverage.

In an effort to get the Negro Ministers more actively involved the attached enclosure #4 was sent to the entire NAACP mailing list of ministers - in addition all ministers were sint enclosure #4A prior to the Workshop. Ministers were also informed about buses.

12 Orleans Parish School buses were hired with very little success. The attached Enclosure #5 was distributed throughout the target precincts several days prior to the buses as well as telephone and door to door solicitation, including the Clergy. Enclosure #5A (clippings).

A Mass rally was called in one precinct, a housing project and enclosure #6 distributed to each and every household in the project - one person appeared.

Every known group or individual in the community who had ever shown an interest in Civic Affairs or Voter Registration was sent a letter of invitation to the kickoff Workshop.

Enclosure #7 Every canvasser was issued an Operation Registration identification tag, brochures, change of address cards, and any requested mimeographed materials. In most cases survey sheets were used so that this can be a continuing process rather than one shot drive (7A); and guide for workers (7B); names of persons scratched from registration rolls and those registered without a party were supplied workers.

In areas where we had no workers (7C) was mailed to voters.

Over 200,000 brochures (7D) have been distributed. Prior to the close of public and parochial schools, all elementary school children received brochures; brochures have been distributed door to door in canvassed areas. In one area (Ward 7 Precinct 29 through 42) 20,000 brochures were distributed through grocery stores.

It was probably in the area of the public relations that we have been most successful. Clippings attached - Enclosure #8. In addition to newspapers the television stations have been most cooperative. I was interviewed twice on WDSU TV & Radio and Radio News June 13th and July 7th, Shots of an empty registration office appeared on WVUE TV and WWL TV on or about June 15-16.

. . . and the enclosed spots (#9) are being used to saturation on ten radio stations as well as the enclosed live (#9A) ten second spots on most radio stations. Voter Registration has been the subject of three editorials on WDSU TV - Radio June 24th, June 30th, and July 11th as well as an editorial cartoon July 11th.

In summarizing this I suggest first and foremost the necessity of an issue or a strong emotional campaign . . . one that strikes home. Civil Rights, Human Rights, Civic Responsibility, holes in the street and police protection, garbage collection, don't seem to be the answer. Citizens must be convinced that it's not like all the things that have come before . . . promises never fullfilled or promises that take so long to be filled that he forgets about them. I think people have been convinced that their vote counts as far as someone being elected is concerned but, you get a "so what" reaction because of the calibre of the candidates running. There is here in New Orleans as I suppose there is in most of the country, a feeling of complete frustration on the one hand with nothing too much really happening; while on the other hand with Headstart, Upgrade, Neighborhood Youth Corps, Medicare, etc. and everything progressing so rapidly, that the poor - the discriminated against, feel perhaps they're on a treadmill, but they're not really sure where its taking them.

I think you need the backing and active participation of the Ministers. Which was lacking here in New Orleans, on phase II of Operation Registration.

Our future plans? Immediately after both the first and second primaries the Registrar's office reopens for ~~approxim~~ 8 days. We'll keep trying!!

cc: Mr. Vernon Jorden, SRC
✓Mr. Thadius Olive, SRC
Mrs. John Campbell, LWVEF
Mrs. Philip Hammer, LWVEF
Mrs. Charles Kahn, LWVNO

Sincerely,

Mrs. L. H. Leder
Chairman
Operation Registration

LHL/BR

July 22, 1966

Mrs. L. H. Leder
Chairman
Operation Registration
545 Saint Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Bernice:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 22, 1966

The Hibernia National
P.O. Box 8128
Gentilly Station
New Orleans, Louisiana 70122

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $500.00 to be deposited to the account of the Operation Registration VEP 66-53. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/

operation registration

CITY-WIDE REGISTRATION
AND GET OUT THE VOTE DRIVE

545 Saint Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130
524-5201 523-5968

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Home 282-5330
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August 17, 1966

Southern Regional Council, Voter Education Project
Mr. Thad Olive
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

I have enclosed a check from Brennan's Restaurant which was the cost of the dinners for the target area team responsible for the largest increase in new voters. We issued an Operation Registration check to the chairman so this is yours.

Mrs. Leder is presently out of the city and I am left to fill her shoes, an almost impossible task. However things were well organized and on the way for this current voter registration period of eight days.

Very truly yours,

Sybil H Morial

Mrs. Ernest N. Morial
Vice Chairman

August 22, 1966

Mrs. Ernest N. Merial
Vice Chairman
545 Saint Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Dear Mrs. Merial:

Thank you for your letter of August 17. We are happy to hear that Operation Registration is still registering. Enclosed is your check, just deposit it to your account as part of your VEP Grant. Please convey to the other members of Operation Registration my best wishes.

We appreciate very much your writing us and assure you of our desire that you derive the full amount of your Grant.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls: Check $30.00

October 18, 1966

The Hibernia National Bank
P.O. Box 8128
Gentilly Station
New Orleans, Louisiana 70122

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $325.00 to be deposited to the account of the Operation Registration Account. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

October 18, 1966

Mrs. L. H. Leder
Chairman
Operation Registration
545 St. Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mrs. Leder:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

October 27, 1966

Mrs. L. H. Leder
Chairman
Operation Registration
545 St. Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mrs. Leder:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 27, 1966

The Hibernia National
P.O. Box 8128
Gentilly Station
New Orleans, Louisiana 70122

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $300.00 to be deposited to the account of the Operation Registration VEP 66-53. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

operation registration

CITY-WIDE REGISTRATION
AND GET OUT THE VOTE DRIVE

545 Saint Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130
524-5201 523-5968

November 2, 1966

Mr. Thadius Olive
Southern Regional Council
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia, 30303

Dear Thad:

I'm in the process of trying to get a report for you . . . actually we've done so many deversified things since our last report to you, ie. . . contacting all the Project Headstart parents, voting machine demonstration, canvassing again a housing project, Desire. But, I'm a bit bogged down with 45 constitutional amendments and trying to explain them, etc. etc.

In the meantime, however, we have a bit of a problem. For some reason or other our books showed a balance of approx. $80 before receiving the last two checks from you. However, one of our checks (to Southern Bell) bounced. Would it be possible for your office to send us a listing of all cancelled checks that have been returned? Our thought is that perhaps one of us (three signatures are available for use . . . checks must have two of the three) didn't enter a check.

Appreciateit if you could expedite this.

Bestest,

Jenny

Mrs. L. H. Leder
Chairman

November 4, 1966

Mrs. L. H. Leder
Chairman
Operation Registration
545 St. Charles Ave.
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mrs. Leder:

Please find enclosed zerox copies of your weekly report. I hope this is the information you will need.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 16, 1966

Mrs. Bernice Leader
Operation Registration
545 St. Charles
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mrs. Leader:

For your information.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 28, 1966

Mrs. Bernice Leder
St. Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Bernice:

With the very obvious success of your project still reverberating, I am sure that such matters as reporting is far from your mind at the moment. However, the provisions of our guidelines must be met. I am afraid that I must intrude on your elation for a moment and call to your attention the fact that we have not received your final report. We must have this before additional funds can be advanced.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
cc: Mrs. Mary Sands

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December 20, 1966

Mr. Marvin Wall
Research Director of Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Wall:

Since I had to compile figures for my own use throughout the state, I thought you might be interested in recent figures on population and voter education. We are having difficulty getting population by race or separation of voters into racial categories or political parties. Since the 1964 Civil Rights Act many organizations are not published by race, or at least we can't ascertain this information.

Very truly yours,

Patricia B. Miller
Executive Director

PBM:lr
cc: Mr. J. Edwin Stanfield
Mr. Vernon Jordan

VOTER REGISTRATION
State of Louisiana

Parish	Estimated total population (June, 1966)	Estimated voter population (1965)	White registered voters (Oct., 1966)	Negro registered voters (Oct., 1966)	Total registered voter population
Acadia	50,742	27,800	20,572	4,107	24,679
Allen	19,798	12,100	8,303	1,967	10,270
Ascension	31,675	16,200	9,438	2,788	12,226
Assumption	18,432	9,200	5,229	2,046	7,275
Avoyelles	35,928	18,800	13,168	2,364	15,532
Beauregard	18,967	18,600	8,140	1,214	9,354
Bienville	14,852	8,800	4,912	1,758	6,670
Bossier	66,376	34,200	14,260	1,458	15,718
Caddo	246,370	144,100	59,384	11,410	70,794
Calcasieu	167,896	91,100	47,008	9,220	56,228
Caldwell	7,997	4,600	3,936	498	4,434
Cameron	7,613	4,000	3,542	206	3,748
Catahoula	10,517	6,200	4,012	719	4,731
Claiborne	15,090	10,000	5,089	1,555	6,644
Concordia	23,250	10,800	6,281	2,345	8,626
DeSoto	23,308	13,400	5,661	2,423	8,084
E. Baton Rouge	270,492	143,100	73,681	16,261	89,942
E. Carroll	13,033	6,800	2,645	212	2,857
E. Feliciana	20,504	7,400	3,278	224	3,502
Evangeline	30,934	17,600	13,789	3,590	17,379
Franklin	23,130	12,400	7,769	563	8,332
Brant	12,316	7,600	6,177	686	6,863
Iberia	59,625	37,600	17,488	4,871	22,359

Parish	Estimated total population	Estimated voter population	White registered voters	Negro registered voters	Total registered voter population
Iberville	31,793	16,200	7,964	5,457	13,421
Jackson	15,772	9,600	6,111	1,509	7,620
Jefferson	269,121	172,800	88,930	8,989	97,919
Jefferson-Davis	31,364	17,200	10,219	1,723	11,942
Lafayette	102,633	79,600	32,072	5,843	37,915
Lafourche	67,371	32,200	23,734	2,179	25,913
LaSalle	12,608	8,900	7,191	672	7,863
Lincoln	29,808	15,400	7,408	2,028	9,436
Livingston	31,445	16,200	13,979	1,475	15,454
Madison	15,283	8,600	3,193	3,150	6,343
Morehouse	33,161	18,400	8,137	1,232	9,369
Natchitoches	32,858	18,200	10,123	4,501	14,624
Orleans	655,899	402,800	157,156	53,257	210,413
Ouachita	117,432	67,100	30,157	2,132	32,299
Plaquemines	27,803	13,400	8,933	95	9,028
Point Coupee	20,765	11,400	5,377	3,492	8,869
Rapides	121,738	65,800	33,374	7,886	41,260
Red River	8,588	5,100	3,662	1,064	4,726
Richland	20,871	11,600	6,132	836	6,968
Sabine	16,619	9,800	8,375	1,283	9,658
St. Bernard	44,223	21,800	18,605	662	19,267
St. Charles	26,175	12,800	7,854	2,421	10,275
St. Helena	9,191	4,400	2,466	1,828	4,294
St. James	20,357	8,100	4,581	2,821	7,402
St. John	20,602	9,800	4,577	3,241	7,818
St. Landry	80,884	42,000	22,120	11,623	33,753

Parish	Estimated total population	Estimated voter population	White registered voters	Negro registered voters	Total registered voter population
St. Martin	32,401	15,000	9,393	3,388	12,781
St. Mary	57,904	29,200	16,048	4,544	20,592
St. Tammany	51,997	26,000	19,278	2,983	22,261
Tangipahoa	62,030	34,200	20,749	5,115	25,864
Tensas	10,332	5,800	2,270	758	3,028
Terrebonne	72,920	34,600	18,640	2,444	21,084
Union	16,024	9,600	6,616	1,134	7,750
Vermillion	39,237	23,100	19,538	2,391	21,929
Vernon	16,572	11,600	10,083	781	10,864
Washington	45,677	26,600	16,650	3,606	20,256
Webster	40,651	24,600	11,518	3,091	14,609
W. Baton Rouge	16,914	8,200	3,933	2.024	5.957
W. Carroll	11,752	7,000	4,523	207	4,730
W. Feliciana	13,572	4,600	1,465	701	2,166
Winn	15,495	9,700	6,667	1,381	8,048
	3,556,687	2,031,400	1,043,563	238,356	1,281,919

Note: Federal Registrars registered 13,155 persons in the following parishes:

E. Carroll	2,421
E. Feliciana	1,943
Ouachita	5,137
Plaquemines	2,511
W. Feliciana	1,143

No breakdown on race or party affiliation, therefore are not included in the above figures.

In 1960 - Negro Registration = 159,033
In 1966 - Negro Registration = 238,356

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CITY-WIDE REGISTRATION
AND GET OUT THE VOTE DRIVE
545 Saint Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130
524-5201 523-5968

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DEC 28 1966

December 26, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Thad:

Received your letter and its unwelcome enclosure . . . the overdraft to our account for a $13.43 check!

I enclose a copy of the bills we still have outstanding. This was put together prior to the receipt of the overdraft.

Since I wasn't altbgether sure what if anything you folks did about the overdraft, I'd appreciate it if you could make a deposit to cover it (the overdraft) as well as the enclosed list of unpaid bills. That will clear up Operation Registration.

I'm going to be out of town this week, so I'd appreciate it if you'd send the letter of transmittal to Mrs. Mary Sand at 1447 Granada Drive, New Orleans, 70124.

It has been very pleasant working with you, Thad and I do want to thank you for your many kindnesses. Hope you had a very Merry Christmas and best wishes for a Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

Bernice

Bernice K. Leder

cc: Mrs. Mary Sand

P.S. Please send my best to Vernon

OPERATION REGISTRATION

Bills to be paid:

Delta Business Machines.....	$ 12.06
Clearview Glass Company.....	6.70
Coca-Cola Company.....	14.79
Orleans Parish School Board.....	97.54
	$ 131.09 + 13.43 + 2.00
Amount remaining in bank.....	13.18
Amount needed to clear account.....$	117.91

12/23/66

$150.00

to exclude service charge for month.

Your Voice is Silent...

UNLESS YOU REGISTER & VOTE

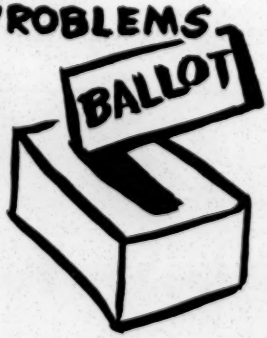
Make your Voice heard!

FIRST — YOU REGISTER

SECOND — LEARN ABOUT THE PEOPLE RUNNING FOR OFFICE. WHICH WILL BEST REPRESENT YOU?

THIRD — READ THE NEWSPAPERS
LISTEN TO RADIO & TV
STUDY THE PROBLEMS

FINALLY — VOTE!



It's easy now ... you can have a Voti

FORM LR-69

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION
Office of Registrar of Voters
Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana

I am a citizen of the United States and of the State of Louisiana and have not been disfranchised by State.

My name is _____ (Mr.—Mrs.—Miss) _____ (First) _____ (Middle Name or Initial)

I live at _____ (House No.) _____ (Apt. No.) _____ (Street) _____ (City or Town)

Have you been a resident of this state for more than one year, of this parish for over six more than three months, immediately preceding this date. (Check one) Yes ☐ No. ☐

The place of my birth is _____ (City or Town) _____ (State or Foreign Co

I am over 21 years of age and the date of my birth is _____ (Month) _____ (Day)

in (leave blank if none) _____ (Parish or County)

I hereby declare my party affiliation to be (circle one) Democrat - Republican - State

(Indicate your answers to the following questions in the spaces provided

Have you been convicted of a felony without receiving a full pardon and restoratio

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 196__

I do solemnly swear that I will faith that I am well disposed to the good o

_____ (Deputy) Registrar

The Following Information About The Applicant To Be C

My race is _____ The color of my eyes is _____ My mother's ma

My occupation is _____ My employer

Change of address: Date _____ Address _____ Wd. ____ Pct. ____ Date

Date _____ Address _____ Wd. ____ Pct. ____ Remarks: _____

Change of name: Date _____ I am now Mr. – Mrs – Miss _____

(UPON REQUEST THE REGISTRAR SHALL FURNISH EACH APPLICA

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR NEED ASSISTANCE REGARDING REGISTRATION YOU MAY CONTACT:

OPERATION REGISTRATION
545 ST. CHARLES AVE.
524–5201 – 525–2704

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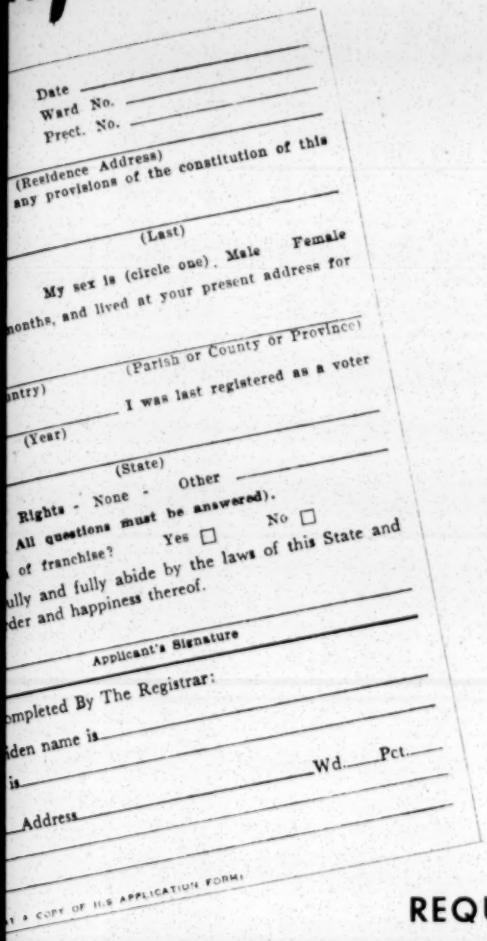
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(Residence Address)
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My sex is (circle one). Male Female
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(Parish or County or Province)
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I was last registered as a voter
(Year)
(State)
Rights - None - Other
All questions must be answered).
of franchise? Yes ☐ No ☐
ully and fully abide by the laws of this State and
der and happiness thereof.
Applicant's Signature
mpleted By The Registrar:
den name is
is Wd. Pct.
Address
A COPY OF HIS APPLICATION FORM)

WHERE TO REGISTER

CITY HALL – FIRST FLOOR
1300 PERDIDO STREET
529–4311 523–1644

GENTILLY – WARDS 8 & 9
8500 CHEF MENTEUR
242–6400

ALGIERS – FOR WARD 15
225 MORGAN STREET
366–1404

HOURS

Until JUNE 14: Mon to Thurs 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

JUNE 14 to JULY 13:
Mon. to Friday 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

REQUIREMENTS

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- BE A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES (if Naturalized, Bring Papers)
- BE A RESIDENT OF LOUISIANA FOR ONE YEAR – – OF ORLEANS PARISH FOR SIX MONTHS – – OF THE PRECINCT FOR THREE MONTHS.

USE YOUR VOTING VOICE

TO CHOOSE ...

GOVERNOR
MAYOR
SHERIFF
COUNCILMEN
JUDGES
TAX ASSESSOR
CONGRESSMEN
LEGISLATORS
DISTRICT ATTORNEY
BOARD of EDUCATION

DO THEY REPRESENT* YOU?

*REPRESENT MEANS LISTEN TO YOU AND WORK FOR YOU

GOVERNMENT IS SUPPOSED TO HELP ALL THE PEOPLE

HOW & WHERE IT GOES DEPENDS ON THE DRIVER. IT CAN RUN OVER YOU & YOUR CHILDREN, OR IT CAN RUN FOR YOU & TAKE YOU WHERE YOU WANT TO GO. BUT YOU MUST PUT A GOOD DRIVER IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT

REGISTERED VOTERS WHO VOTE RUN THE GOVERNMENT

Put Yourself in the Driver's Seat!

DISTRIBUTED BY
OPERATION REGISTRATION

League of Women Voters of New Orleans
Gallier Hall - 545 St. Charles Ave.
New Orleans, La. 70130

to: Thad Olivier
From: Bernice Cohen

Dear Thad -

We're really in need of some more money -

Bernice

OPERATION REGISTRATION NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

#1

VOTE REGISTRATION COMPARISONS*

WARD	PRECINCT	OCTOBER, 1964 White	OCTOBER, 1964 Negro	OCTOBER, 1965 White	OCTOBER, 1965 Negro	Voting 1st Primary	Percentage
2	5	12	296	11	713	560	79%
2	6	6	760	2	1116	980	87%
9	3	198	360	181	442	493	79%
9	3A	17	539	10	763	596	76%
9 9	5	344	508	85	464	390	80%
9	6	16	809	11	1141	896	77%
9	6A	3	622	4	931	793	71%
9	28A	0	598	1	933	796	85%
9	31B	4	675	4	756	675	89%
9	31C	0	795	0	785	691	89%
10	12	23	480	27	669	597	89%
10	13	13	505	12	704	642	89%
10	14	22	248	16	372	343	92%

*sampling of some of the heavily Negro precincts

NOTE: See attached clippings

158,774 White Persons, 49,543 Negroes on Rolls

Orleans Parish Registrar of Voters A. P. "Tim" Gallinghouse announced following Wednesday night's registration deadline that 158,774 white persons and 49,543 Negroes were on registration books.

The total — 208,317 — was short of the 218,311 registered for the mayoral race in New Orleans four years ago.

Gallinghouse said all persons in the building at City Hall at the 8 p. m. deadline Wednesday were allowed to register but a number of persons still queued outside the building had to be turned away.

He said this action followed procedures established in the past. Gallinghouse said he could not estimate the number of persons unable to register Wednesday.

However, he said a total of 827 persons was registered during the day, a record number for the four years he has run the office.

Of Wednesday's total, 178 were white and 550 Negroes, he said.

Final figures released by Gallinghouse Wednesday show that white registration has declined considerably since the last election for mayor while Negro registration has increased significantly.

Four years ago there were 174,[illegible] whites registered and only 38,242 Negroes.

Gallinghouse said Wednesday night he could not yet provide a breakdown of registration by party but that one will be available soon. Primary elections will be conducted Nov. 6.

N.O. T-P 11/7/65

NEGRO REGISTRATION GAINS

White Voters Dip In All N.O. Wards

By DAVID SNYDER

Figures released by Orleans Parish Registrar of Voters A. P. "Tim" Gallinghouse show that every ward has lost white voters from the rolls and every ward has gained Negro voters since the last municipal election.

Both the total of registered voters and the total Democratic registration has dropped in the parish since 1961.

A final tabulation shows that 210,311 were registered on Dec. 31, 1961, compared to 208,150 now.

The Democratic registration in 1961 was 206,297, compared to 200,277 registered for the Nov. 6 Democratic primary.

Of the total 1961 Democratic registration, 170,894 were white voters and 35,403 Negroes. Today the white Democratic registration totals 154,-553 and the Negro registration 45,724.

Since 1961, Democratic registration of Negroes has increased 10,321 while registration of white Democrats has

The registrar's figures also confirmed what many politicians have suspected, that in Ward 2 Negro voters now outnumber white voters.

Other big voter registration gains were made in Negroes in Wards 8, 9 and 10.

Here is the registration of white and Negro voters by wards, with the 1961 figures alongside for comparison:

Ward 1		
	[illegible]	1961
White	2,[illegible]	2,[illegible]
Negro	941	[illegible]
Ward 2		
White	1,[illegible]	1,7[illegible]
Negro	7,[illegible]	1,[illegible]
Ward 3		
White	[illegible]	[illegible]
Negro	[illegible]	775
Ward 4		
White	13,701	14,576
Negro	780	[illegible]
Ward 5		
White	6,746	7,[illegible]
Negro	1,973	1,[illegible]
Ward 6		
White	2,[illegible]	3,933
Negro	970	694
Ward 7		
White	17,[illegible]	19,182
Negro	[illegible]	3,145
Ward 8		
White	16,[illegible]	18,[illegible]
Negro	701	430
Ward 9		
White	24,239	25,831
Negro	9,685	7,148
Ward 10		
White	3,996	5,434
Negro	2,022	1,591
Ward 11		
White	4,518	5,431
Negro	4,473	3,004
Ward 12		
White	6,781	8,476
Negro	3,246	2,337
Ward 13		
White	6,614	7,884
Negro	2,258	1,820
Ward 14		
White	14,220	14,837
Negro	914	735
Ward 15		
White	11,418	10,333
Negro	1,040	1,665
Ward 16		
White	4,155	4,601
Negro	1,242	973
Ward 17		
White	10,[illegible]	10,449

Ward 17 -
Negro 2917 2189

[Attach flyers] #2

OPERATION REGISTRATION printed 250,000 of the attached flyer for distribution throughout the community.

Arrangements had been made for distribution through both the public and parochial schools . . . but been use of the hurricane most of the schools were closed during the distribution period. We therefore had to find other means of distribution. The Ministers and Priests were very helpful . . . as were the insurance agents and our own canvassers. App Approximately 50,000 were distributed via a large chain drug store at all check out counters.

A mat of our flyer "Your Voice is Silent. . . . ." was carried in several store advertisements in the local papers as well as by the Times Picayune and the Clarion Herald (Catholic Weekly) as a front page reminder to their readers. A commercial television st ation used it as a station break as well.

Approximately 50,000 of the flyers remain and we plan to use them when the registration rolls reopen for the General Election to be held April 5.

YOUR VOICE
IS SILENT
....unless you
Register & Vote.

ONLY
YOUR VOTE
CAN HELP
Register Now!

LBJ'S POWERFUL VOTING RIGHTS BILL
EVEN I CAN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT YOU!
VOTERS TOO LAZY TO EVEN VOTE..
WDSU-TV • AUG. 5, 1965

WHERE TO REGISTER

CITY HALL—1st Floor
1300 Perdido St.

ALGIERS—For Ward 15
225 Morgan St.

GENTILLY—Wards 8 & 9
8500 Chef Menteur

HOURS:

Until September 8: Mon. to Thurs. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. FRIDAY 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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[Attach to pink cards and clippings] #3

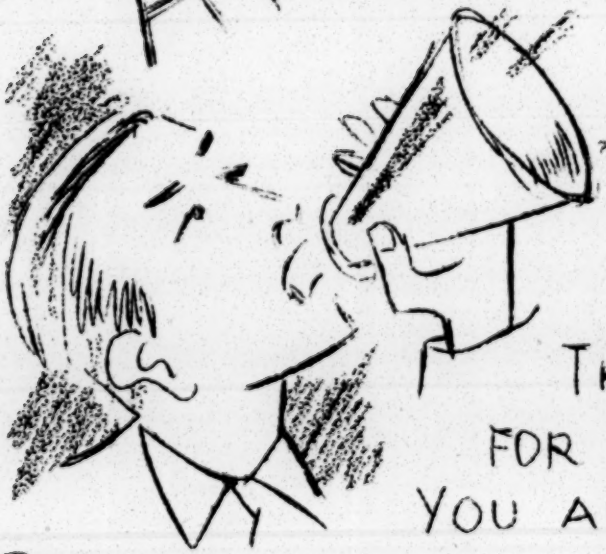
OPERATION REGISTRATION learned that over 4,000 people . . . newly registered people . . . would be unable to vote in the First Democratic Primary because they had not specified affiliation with the Democratic Party when they registered. In New Orleans as in many other one-party areas, nomination by the Democratic electorate is tantamount to election.

Voters Service, a non partisan, volunteer group that works with the registration rolls supplied OPERATION REGISTRATION with the lists of almost 4,000 disfranchised voters. The attached card was sent each voter several days prior to the election.

Because of the disbelief that came with receipt of a card we taped a 60 second spot (attached) announcement that was used constantly by the four Negro radio stations. Television and the newspapers cooperated fully.

After election day there was only 3 days before the rolls were closed for the second primary for those who wished to change their affiliation. 2,238 Negroes changed their party in that three day period! During this time we used a 30 second spot announcement on Negro radio urging people to go to the registrars office.

ATTENTION: NEW VOTER!



WE URGE YOU -

DO NOT GO TO THE POLLS

TO VOTE ON NOV. 6!

THIS IS A DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY

FOR REGISTERED DEMOCRATS ONLY.

YOU ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE

BECAUSE YOU ARE REGISTERED AS A REPUBLICAN.

OPERATION REGISTRATION
545 ST. CHARLES

THE TIMES-PICAYUNE, NEW ORLEANS, LA., FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 29, 1965

5000 Cannot Ballot Nov. 6

Republicans and Others Being Sent Cards

An estimated 5,000 persons in Orleans Parish who registered to vote between Aug. 11 and Oct. 6 will be ineligible to vote in the Nov. 6 primary election.

Mrs. Bernice Leder, Operation Registration chairman, said those persons who registered as Republicans, states' rights or without party affiliation cannot participate in the coming election because it is a Democratic primary.

The only exception will be in District A, Wards 14, 15, 16 and 17, where there is a Republican primary for councilman.

"Operation Registration workers are sending post cards to all ineligible voters advising them of their status," Mrs. Leder said. "It is my opinion some of these people don't realize they are ineligible."

Operation Registration is a committee of several local civic organizations, co-ordinated by the League of Women Voters of New Orleans, which banded together to urge citizens of the parish to register. Mrs. Leder pointed out that the group now is working to get voters to the polls.

The workers, she said, obtained a list of everyone who registered between Aug. 11 and Oct. 6 and discovered ineligible registrants.

"These people, however, will be able to vote in the general election in April," she said.

Persons who registered without affiliation may affiliate with a party Nov. 8, 9 and 10 when registration books will be reopened, Mrs. Leder explained.

Those who change their affiliation during that three-day period, however, must wait six months from the date of change to cast a vote.

Many Orleans Residents Find They Cannot Vote

Complaints Arise, Says League Spokesman

Many New Orleans registered voters discovered they could not take part in Saturday's Democratic primary election because they were not registered as Democrats.

Hours before the polls closed, spokesmen for the League of Women Voters stated they had received complaints from "at least 70 persons," nearly all Negroes, who believed themselves to be registered Democrats until they tried to vote.

"These people just can't believe it," said Mrs. Bernice Leder, a worker for the league. "Some of them are very upset."

Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Deruise, Negro, of 1444 N. Johnson, who were not able to vote Saturday, said that when they registered Aug. 15, they were not given an opportunity to fill out their own applications.

QUESTIONS ASKED

"The man asked all the questions, and the last thing he asked me was the party I belonged to," Deruise stated. "And I said I was a Democrat. Then today I found out I could not vote because I had been recorded as not belonging to any party."

Eugene Bryant, Negro, 4902 Loyola, who was also denied voting privileges, claimed that when he registered Aug. 17 the deputy registrar said: "It will be easier if I fill out the application."

Bryant said he asked to be registered as a Democrat, and only discovered at the polls that his name was not on the registration list.

Through the registrar's office he later discovered that he was recorded as belonging to no party.

TEACHER LISTED

A school teacher, Mrs. Claudet Mims, Negro, of 1223 S. Clark, registered in August. She said she was also told by the deputy registrar that it would be easier if he filled out her application.

Mrs. Mims discovered Saturday that she was classified as having no party affiliation and was not allowed to vote.

The League of Women Voters obtained from the Voter's Service the names of new applicants classified with no party affiliation, and sent out more than 3,000 cards informing them that they would not be allowed to vote Saturday, Mrs. Leder said.

Many new registrants went out to the polls even after receiving these cards, just to be sure they could not vote.

Several precincts reported "angry" people who discovered that their names were not on the voting lists.

Orleans Parish Registrar of Voters, A. P. Gallinghouse, said that many applicants failed to declare party affiliation, and that it is against state law for a registrar to attempt to influence a registrant concerning party affiliation.

Many applicants were obviously unaware of the necessity of claiming affiliation, Gallinghouse said, but it is still the responsibility of the applicant to declare himself.

Gallinghouse stated that any registrant who wishes to declare party affiliation should report to the Registrar's Office Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday to do so.

Those wishing to change their party affiliation must wait six months before voting, Gallinghouse said.

N 12, 1965

605 Registered in 3-Day Period

A total of 605 persons registered to vote during the three days the registration books were open following the Nov. 6 Democratic primary.

No breakdown was available on the party affiliation of the new registrants, but an official said he believed all or almost all were Democrats. There were 368 white persons and 237 Negroes added to the rolls.

Registration books were closed at 8 p. m. Wednesday and will not be open for new applicants until after the Dec. 11 Democratic second primary. State law requires that the books be closed for 30 days prior to an election.

During the three-day period, the registrar of voters' office reported 49 white and 2,238 Negro voters changed their affiliation to the Democratic Party. They had formerly been listed as States' Rights, Republican or no party members.

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THE ELECTION ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6 IS A CITY-WIDE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY IN EVERY WARD BUT WARD 14, 15, 16, 17 WHERE THERE IS ALSO A REPUBLICAN PRIMARY.

OPERATION REGISTRATION HAS SENT OVER 3,000 POST CARD TO NEWLY REGISTERED VOTERS WHO BECAUSE OF PARTY AFFILIATION OR LACK OF AFFILIATION, WILL BE UNABLE TO VOTE IN THE PRIMARY ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 6th. ONLY REGISTERED DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE IN A DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY. ONLY REGISTERED REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE IN A REPUBLICAN PRIMARY.

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THE PINK CARDS SENT OUT BY OPERATION REGISTRATION WERE NOT INTENDED TO DIS-COURAGE QUALIFIED VOTERS . . . THEY WERE SENT ONLY TO THOSE PEOPLE WHO CANNOT PARTICIPATE IN THIS PRIMARY ELECTION.

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Opportunity to Register

New registrants whose records at the Parish Registrar of Voters' Office indicate no party affiliation can, if they hasten, qualify to vote in the Democratic primary runoffs Dec. 11.

A sizable number failed by oversight or misunderstanding to designate their party when signing on the rolls.

If it is their intention to be listed as Democrats, they have until 8 o'clock tonight and from 9 a. m. to 8 p. m. tomorrow to make application at the registration office.

Thus, they can meet the deadline for getting on the rolls 30 days before the election.

Feeling that many new voters would encounter trouble by failing to realize that most of the balloting was on Democratic candidates only, the League of Women Voters of New Orleans explained the situation to about 5,000 by postcard before last Saturday's primary.

For those who seek to switch affiliations, there is a wait of six months before they can vote in their party primary although they are eligible to vote in any intervening general election.

Qualified Orleanians who are unregistered also have until 8 o'clock tonight and from 9 a. m. to 8 p. m. tomorrow to register as Democrats if they expect to vote in the Dec. 11 second primary.

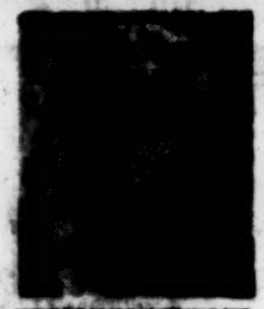
Closeness of several undecided races in the first primary indicates that the margin of victory in the runoffs could stem from this brief period for registration and declaration of party affiliation.

Hermann Deutsch

Women Voters League Heads Off Disorders

IN VIEW OF THE FACT that at times my relations with some segments of the League of Women Voters have been rather less than cordial, it is all the more pleasant to report that a flying wedge from the New Orleans branch of that organization has captained a very valuable contribution to the orderly conduct of Saturday's election.

It was the final phase of a sustained effort (Operation Registration) to bring out as large and representative a vote as possible. The fact that many new registrants had registered as Republicans or had stated no party affiliation at all was published at the previous weekend in both The Times-Picayune and the States-Item.



HERMANN DEUTSCH

Realizing the possibly ominous import of this, my Monday column (written on Saturday), suggested that all and sundry urge new voters so registered not to go to the polls on Nov. 6, because of the very real possibility that newly registered citizens, finding themselves excluded from participation in what is merely a Democratic primary (though since 1878 that "primary" has been de facto the definite election) the abrupt frustration on the very threshold of achieving a long sought goal might conceivably trigger disorders.

This could be avoided if the situation were fully explained in advance. It was in no sense a sinister plot to balk the extension of voting rights at the last moment. The registrar and his various deputies would have been guilty of a criminal offense, had they suggested that registrants who stated their party affiliation as Republican or unaffiliated, would do well to alter their status to "Democrat."

I realized, of course, that little time remained to spread what was a vital piece of information among those who have just registered for the first time. A certain percentage of those newly enfranchised were not merely "functional" illiterates, but analphabetics. (It is to all intents and purposes self-evident that in this day no adult who wanted to learn how to read and write could have found the means of doing so. They remained analphabetics because they did not care enough about "learning their letters.")

On all accounts, therefore, it was gratifying to learn that my warning came too late. Operation Registration had beaten me to the punch. By Monday afternoon when my column appeared in the States-Item, a committee headed by Mrs. Lawrence H. Leder, with Mrs. William Moseley as vice-chairman, had already sent out postcards to all newly enrolled voters who had registered as other than "Democratic."

The list of these voters, together with the affiliation entered on the respective registration cards had been furnished to the committee by Voters' Service, and jumbo-size postcards were addressed to them in the following categories:

To those registered as Republicans (and not residents of District A) informing them that "this is a Democratic primary for registered Democrats only. You will not be eligible to vote in it because you are registered as a Republican." An admonition that under these circumstances it would be well to stay away from the polls was included.

To those registered in District A, where there are two contenders for the Republican nomination for council member, went a card explaining that they could vote only as between the two seekers for the nomination, and for or against none of the Democratic candidates. (Customarily Republican and Democratic parties have different polling places on primary day.)

To those registered as States Righters and to those having no affiliation went cards telling them they could not vote in this Democratic primary, but that on the 8th, 9th, and 10th of November the city Registration offices would be open for those who wished to register, being heretofore not registered at all; and for those seeking to change or amend their existing registration.

By way of amplification, William Dwyer, administrative assistant to Registrar A. P. "Tim" Gallinghouse, has explained that those previously unregistered who did register during those three days, would be able to vote in a second primary, if one involving the party of their affiliation is held, and in all future elections open to those affiliated with the party.

Those registered as Republicans who change to "Democrat" (or vice versa) during these three days, will not be permitted to vote in any party primary for six months, but WILL be permitted to vote in general elections whenever these are held. Those who have presently no party affiliation, but change to one during the three days of opportunity, will be eligible to vote in the primaries of their party and general elections with no mandatory six-month interval of waiting.

At any rate, all hands participating in Operation Voting have rendered their community a real service in the final postcard phase of their endeavor.

Operation Registration
New Orleans, Louisiana

This is the script used in our city-wide voter education program following an intensive voter registration drive. The program was presented five times on the local TV stations (once by each commercial station and twice by the educational channel). Time for these programs was donated by the TV stations. Prior to the programs, sample ballots (see attached copy) were widely distributed throughout the city--through public and parochial schools, by businesses in low income area, publication in a newspaper read widely by Negroes, etc.--and could be used by persons viewing the program. All civics classes in the schools were given these ballots for school use.

The script, written by Mary Sand and Betty Moseley, was designed to reach the people who have very little education (especially those voting for the first time), with the hope that it would also prove interesting and valuable to persons with more education. The language was kept simple; the basic ideas of city government and voting were presented.

The participants included one professional TV person (educational channel), four local college teachers (both white and Negro), and one civic group representative (League of Women Voters president). (See script for further identification).

The visuals are described in the script. They were arranged on the set in order, with the "expert" who explained each phase standing near his visual. The "moderator" and "questioner" walked through the set as the program progressed.

We got a group from one of the housing projects together to view the program. Afterwards there was group discussion; several persons were there to clarify and answer questions. The group was enthusiastic and learned a great deal from the program. We felt from the over-all response that this whole idea was well-received and worthwhile. The programs reached a large, varied audience; the turn-out on election day was good. This, is a start in the voter education program we hope to continue and expand.

For any further details about this program or other aspects of Operation Registration please write me - Mrs. Wm. W. Moseley, 4346 Wellington, New Orleans 70122

[Attach to composite ballot]

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OPERATION REGISTRATION printed 200,000 of the attached ballot for distribution throughout New Orleans prior to the First Primary. Sample ballots are not provided by the city or state. A complete composite ballot is not usually printed by the local press. The ballot also served as an advertisement for the 1/2 hour television program that was shown 5 times in the N. O. area. One time each on all of our commercial television stations and two t imes on our educational television station. Script of the program is attached .

The New Orleans States Item (evening) and the Louisiana Weekly (Negro weekly) carried the composite ballot. All local press (radio, TV and all newspapers) helped publicize the television program.

The 200,000 ballots were distributed as follows:

100,000 via each child in the public school system
10,000 via Parochial school children in target areas
10,000 at meetings and rallies and in cooperating group mailings
10,000 through supermarket in one target area
40,000 by the Ministerial Alliance throughout the Protestant Negro community
25,000 at Masses of Catholic Churches in Negro areas.

SAMPLE BALLOT

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

1st LEAVE X's SHOWING LIKE THIS →

1st TURN SWITCH RIGHT TO CLOSE CURTAINS

2nd MARK YOUR BALLOT AND LEAVE MARKS SHOWING →

WARNING — YOUR ☒ MARKS MUST BE SHOWING FOR VOTE TO REGISTER

3rd TURN SWITCH LEFT

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	JOSEPH W. HELD 2 ☐	A. ROSWELL THOMPSON 5 ☐		
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For COUNCILMEN AT LARGE OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS (VOTE FOR TWO)	AVERY C. ALEXANDER 6 ☐	HARWOOD KOPPEL 9 ☐		
	PAUL V. BURKE 7 ☐	MAURICE E. LAMBREU 10 ☐		
	JOSEPH V. DIROSA 8 ☐	JOHN J. PETRE 11 ☐		
For COUNCILMAN FROM DISTRICT "A" OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS (WARDS 14, 15, 16 & 17) (VOTE FOR ONE)	HENRY B. CURTIS 12 ☐	WILLIAM J. TOYE 14 ☐		WILFRED H. CHARBONNET 70 ☐
	LOUIS W. SCHLEHAU 13 ☐			JOSEPH W. SIMPSON 71 ☐
For COUNCILMAN FROM DISTRICT "C" OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS (WARDS 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6) (VOTE FOR ONE)	CLARENCE O. DUPUY, JR. 18 ☐	BARBARA GLANCEY REED 20 ☐		
	EDMOND G. MIRANNE 19 ☐	JOHN J. WATERMEIER, JR. 22 ☐		
For COUNCILMAN FROM DISTRICT "D" OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS (WARDS 7 & 8) (VOTE FOR ONE)	JAMES A. MOREAU 24 ☐	ROBERT J. ZIBILICH 26 ☐		
	BURT E. SCOFIELD 25 ☐			
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	DANIEL L. KELLY 28 ☐			
For ASSESSOR FOR THE THIRD MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS (WARDS 7, 8, & 9) (VOTE FOR ONE)	WILLIAM P. "CY" HICKEY, JR. 30 ☐			
	DELMAS J. KIRN 31 ☐			
For ASSESSOR FOR THE FOURTH MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS (WARDS 10 & 11) (VOTE FOR ONE)	RICHARD F. BURKE 32 ☐			
	BERNARD J. McCLOSKEY 33 ☐			
For ASSESSOR FOR THE FIFTH MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS (WARD 15) (VOTE FOR ONE)	JOSEPH C. MODENBACH 35 ☐			
	GERALD A. WILSON 36 ☐			
For DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR THE PARISH OF ORLEANS (VOTE FOR ONE)	JIM GARRISON 37 ☐			
	MALCOLM V. O'HARA 41 ☐			
For CIVIL SHERIFF FOR THE PARISH OF ORLEANS (VOTE FOR ONE)	RODNEY A. DURAS 42 ☐			
	HAROLD J. "TOOKIE" GILBERT 43 ☐			
For CLERK OF THE CRIMINAL DISTRICT COURT FOR THE PARISH OF ORLEANS (VOTE FOR ONE)	ARTHUR C. DALE, JR. 44 ☐			
	EDWARD A. HAGGERTY 45 ☐			
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	LAURENCE I. BARRAS 47 ☐	CONNIE RYAN 51 ☐		
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For RECORDER OF MORTGAGES FOR THE PARISH OF ORLEANS (VOTE FOR ONE)	FRANCIS J. DEMAREST, SR. 53 ☐	LAWRENCE P. LaMARCA 55 ☐
	PHILIP L. HAIK, SR. 54 ☐	
For REGISTER OF CONVEYANCES FOR THE PARISH OF ORLEANS (VOTE FOR ONE)	JACK J. CHARBONNET 57 ☐	WILLIAM E. STAVIS 59 ☐
	ERNEST J. HESSLER 58 ☐	
For CLERK OF THE FIRST CITY COURT OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS (ALL WARDS EXCEPT 15) (VOTE FOR ONE)	EDWARD L. BOESCH 60 ☐	
	NAT GROS 61 ☐	
For CONSTABLE OF THE FIRST CITY COURT OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS (ALL WARDS EXCEPT 15) (VOTE FOR ONE)	WELLINGTON A. ARNAUD 62 ☐	DAVID A. LEGIER 65 ☐
	CLYDE F. BEL, SR. 63 ☐	
For CONSTABLE OF THE SECOND CITY COURT OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS (WARD 15) (VOTE FOR ONE)	THOMAS ROBERT DREET, JR. 66 ☐	LOUIS M. WATTIGNY 68 ☐
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For JUDGE, CIVIL DISTRICT COURT, DIVISION D, PARISH OF ORLEANS (VOTE FOR ONE)	GUY J. D'ANTONIO 75 ☐	S. SANFORD LEVY 78 ☐
	JOHN LANNE 77 ☐	WILLIAM V. REDMANN 79 ☐

For DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR THE PARISH OF ORLEANS (VOTE FOR ONE)		
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ABOUT THE BALLOT

TELEVISION
(Taped)

Mr. Vern Cook (Introduce program)

Director, WYES, Educational TV

You have gone to the trouble to register, and now the time to vote is approaching. . . Election day is Nov. 6. The aim of this program is to make the voting process easier for every potential voter . . . to help you know more about the coming election and what it means . . .

Your vote is important!

This is not the year to vote for President! . . . But this is a very important election for New Orleans citizens because this is a local election.

REF-Map
(Huge map of New Orleans with wards & districts marked)

This will be a City of New Orleans/Orleans Parish election. It does not include Jefferson and St. Bernard parishes.

November 6th will be a citywide Democratic Primary . . . which, of course, is important since the Democrat party is the principal one in Louisiana.

November 6th will also be a Republican Primary for Wards 14, 15, 16, and 17.

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We have several people (specialists) to help explain this election.

(INTRODUCE: Dr. Loretta Butler, Education Department, Xavier University) (Negro woman)

Butler — Actually I'm here more to ask questions than to answer them, because I'm very interested in getting answers to lots of questions which I've been hearing people ask about voting . . . so I'll just bombard you with questions! First, one question I've heard asked over and over is, "Do I need to bring anything with me when I come to vote? . . . any identification?"

Cook — No. If you have registered, your name is in the book which will be at the polling place. You line up, wait your turn, and tell your address and name to the commissioners at the polling place.

Butler — Next, people want to know,
"How do I know where to vote?"

Cook — You vote at the polling place which is in your neighbor-
REF-Map — hood. Let's look at the map again . . . Here's a ward and within this ward are many precincts. Here's one (OUTLINE a precinct). . . this small area is a precinct. So, somewhere in these boundaries of this precinct is a polling place.

There are many polling places in the city each marked with
REF-Poll marker — a sign like this (SHOW sign).
(Real thing... wooden sign) — So you look for this sign and go to the polling place in <u>your</u> precinct. This sign shows the precinct number (REFER again to poll marker).

Butler — But, how do I know what my precinct number is?

Cook — After you registered, this card was mailed to your house.
REF-Registration card — (INDICATE registration card). . . It tells your ward and precinct numbers. . . Now, you do <u>not</u> have to bring this to the polls with you, but you can tell from that what ward and precinct you live in.
(Postal card from Registrar's Office)

The newspapers will print, before election and on election day, the location of the polling place in each precinct
REF-Newspaper list of polling places — in the city. (REFER to newspaper)

If you need any information about where you should go to
REF-Sign with phone numbers — vote, call 523-5960 . . . 524-5201 . . . 525-2704, Operation Registration Headquarters.

. . . (COOK AND BUTLER WALK . . .)

Cook — (INTRODUCE: Mr. V. Malcolm Byrnes, Political Science teacher, Loyola University) . . . Give us a little more detail about the political subdivisions of New Orleans. (While)

Byrnes — New Orleans is divided into 17 wards. . . Each ward is divided into precincts which are little neighborhoods for voting purposes.

The Mississippi River is such an important part of New Orleans that <u>every</u> ward touches (borders on) the river!
REF-Map — . . . Impossible you say?!! . . . just look (REFER to map)

Byrnes Let's start here with Ward 1, a pie-shaped wedge between Thalia and Felicity running from the river to mid-town. Continue around the crescent. . . Wards 10, 11, 12, 13, all pie-shaped from the river . . . their boundaries are First Street, Toledano, Napoleon, and Jefferson Avenue. O.K., now here we are to Jefferson Avenue, and a larger ward, Number 14, still coming from the river . . . over to Lowerline and Pine and up to Washington Avenue. Then comes 16 . . . to Carrollton Avenue.

Now comes Number 17 from Carrollton and the river out along Jefferson Parish line all the way to Lake Pontchartrain and back along Pontchartrain Blvd.

Ward 4 . . from the lake through City Park (Lakeview area) . . . you'd nver believe it gets to the river, but see this little strip between Canal Street and St. Louis that runs to the river!

Ward 5 does about the same . . Lake, Orleans Avenue, Bayou St. John, and a narrow strip from St. Louis to St. Phillip to the river.

Here's Ward 6, a small ward along Esplanade and St. Phillip from the Bayou to the river.

7 just comes to a point at the river, running in from the lake, along Bayou St. John and Elysian Fields.

8 also comes to a point at the river, goes over to Peoples Avenue and Almonaster.

Then there's the huge 9th ward, from the 8th ward boundary on out to St. Bernard Parish and to the Rigolets, and along the river.

Now let's see. . .we missed Numbers 2 and 3 in the central part of the city. . .Washington Ave. to Thalia, Expressway to Canal, from Carrollton and City Park in to the river.

And, then there's Ward 15 . . .Algiers. . .the only ward on that side of the river.

So---you can get your bearings from this and tell where you fit into this over-all ward picture.

Butler Let's take an example. Say, someone lives at 1231 Baronne Street. Where does that put him?

Byrnes (FROM map) O.K. . .1231 Baronne is in this area . . . that's Ward 2, Precinct 4.

Cook — He then checks the newspaper for the exact location of the polling place for Ward 2, Precinct 4.

. . .

Butler — People find it very confusing with so many people running and so many offices to fill. Can we help straighten them out?

Cook — Since this is a city election, we'll be voting for officials who run the city and parish. . . so let's take a look at the organization of city government.

(INTRODUCE Mr. Joseph Logsdon, American History, LSUNO)
(White)

Logsdon — Let's start at the top and work down! Look at this government unit , . . Mayor . . . 2 Councilmen-at-large . . . 5 district councilmen.

REF-Mayor-Council diagram

(Cartoons showing chairs around council table with relationship of Mayor - Councilmen-at-large - District Councilmen)

The Mayor is the executive. He sees that things get done in the city.

The Councilmen pass the city laws and regulations and approve the budget.

The councilmen, whom <u>you</u> elect, and the mayor, whom <u>you</u> elect, work together to see that New Orleans runs smoothly.

Butler — That sounds simple---but I'm afraid it's a bit more complicated!

Logsdon — Running a big city like this takes many departments . . . The Mayor and his Chief Administrative Officer <u>appoint these department heads</u>. Look at this diagram of Departments. . . (REFER to diagram, pointing out each symbol)

REF-Dept. diagram

(Very clever cartoon diagram drawn by Elaine Green)

(Cartoons showing as depts. - such as, policeman, fire truck, garbage can, etc.)

1. Police Department . . . the mayor appoints the Police Superintendent and there's a large department under this Supt. which plays a major role in the life of the city. The Police Supt. is <u>directly</u> supervised by the <u>mayor</u>.
2. Fire Dept. . . Mayor appoints the Fire Supt., . . another big part of the operation of New Orleans.
3. Dept. of Safety and Permits . . . Mayor and his Chief Administrative Officer appoint the director.
4. Dept. of Sanitation . . . director appointed
5. Dept. of Streets . . . director appointed
6. Dept. of Recreation . . . director of NORD program

Logsdon 7. Dept. of Welfare . . . mayor appoints the City Board of Welfare

8. Dept. of Health . . . director

9. Dept. of Finance . . . director

Cook $40 - 50 million to handle each year!

Logsdon 10. Dept. of Property Management . . . director . . . this department has charge of city property and includes the Board of Managers of Delgado Trade School.

11. Dept. of City Civil Service . . . mayor appoints the City Civil Service Commission.

12. Dept. of Utilities . . . director . . . in charge of street lighting, regulations for taxicabs, etc.

13. Dept. of Law . . . Mayor appoints the City Attorney.

The Office of Civil Defense is an independent agency attached to the Mayor's office.

Let me go a step further . . . Besides all these Departments, there are many boards and commissions, such as:

Sewerage and Water Board
City Planning Commission
Library Board
Aviation Board
Vieux Carre Commission
Parkway and Park Commission
Public Belt Railroad Commission
Board of City Trusts
Audubon Park Commission
Housing Authority
Mississippi River Bridge Authority
New Orleans Railroad Terminal Board
Upper Pontalba Building Commission

Cook It really takes a big organization to run a place with so many people! . . . Quite different from the country or a small town.

Logsdon Yes. Every one of those boards and commissions I mentioned has some members appointed by the mayor.

Cook So, when we elect a mayor, we are putting in his hands

Cook — many appointments---people to protect us, to see that our streets are paved and our garbage is collected, etc., and people who will be in charge of hiring thousands of city employees.

Logsdon — That's right.

Butler — Well, I can see the need for the Fire and Police Departments to protect us, the Sanitation Department to keep the city clean, and I know that these departments employ many people, but what about . . . Dept. of Safety and Permits? How does that affect the ordinary citizen?

Logsdon — This also is for the protection of the citizen. Buildings have to be inspected and meet certain standards . . . There'd be danger in electrical wiring if not properly installed. . . And, this department includes that important little item--the brake tag! The motor vehicle inspection is under this department, and we're always glad the other guy's brakes work!

Cook — This mayor we'll elect will be a person who will assume, for 4 years, a good bit of responsibility for my safety, health, and welfare . . . He will work with the councilman we elect; they will pass the laws and approve how our money is spent.

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Let's take a look at what we actually will face in the voting booth--the ballot.

(INTRODUCE: Mr. Addison Carey, Political Science Dept., Southern Univ. in New Orleans (Negro) ~~Dr. Dan Thompson, Sociology Dept., Dillard University~~)

Carey ~~Thompson~~ — Here's a sample ballot, and these have been widely distributed, so everybody watching at home should have one to refer to.

REF-Ballot (Blow-up of ballot showing all offices - had to put all 7 ballots together on one)

The first office listed is that of Mayor, which has already been described for you.

Running for this office . . . each with a number and appearing alphabetically . . . are:

REF-Pictures of candidates for mayor

James E. Fitzmorris, Jr. 1

Joseph W. Held 2

Doris W. Perkins 3

Victor H. Schiro 4

A. Roswell Thompson 5

Carey ~~Thompson~~ Then note the heavy black line separating the offices. Next we come to the office of Councilman.

Butler (LOOKING at ballot) So many running for Councilman! How many do I vote for?

Cook Let Mr. Byrne explain this.

Byrne Councilmen-at-large represent everybody, the whole city. There are two of these, so <u>everybody votes for two</u>. Now, let's think about the District Councilman . . . he's the representative from the area in which you live . . . he's especially interested in you and your neighborhood.

REF-Draw outline on map of Coun. Districts

There are 5 Councilmanic Districts, 1 councilman from each.

District A -- Wards 14, 16, 17, and across river 15

District B -- Wards 1, 10, 11, 12, 13

District C -- Wards 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

District D -- Wards 7, 8

District E -- Ward 9

Cook Let's go back to the ballot. . .

Carey ~~Thompson~~ These are running for Councilman-at-large:

REF-Photos of Council. candidates

Avery C. Alexander 6

Paul V. Burke 7

Joseph V. DiRosa 8

Harwood Koppel 9 --He has withdrawn from the race since the ballot was printed.

Maurice E. Landrieu 10

John J. Petre 11

<u>You must vote for 2</u> or your vote for this office won't count.

On the ballot in <u>your</u> voting booth will be the names of persons running for councilman from <u>your</u> district . . . not all of these names on this sample ballot.

District A candidates are:

Henry B. Curtis 12
Louis W. Schlekau 13
William J. Toye 14
} On the Democrat ticket

Wilfred H. Charbonnet 70
Joseph W. Simpson 71
} on the Republican ticket . . . the only Republican contest.

Carey ~~Thompson~~ District B has no election for this office this year because nobody is running against Mr. Marcus.

District C candidates are:

Clarence O. Dupuy, Jr. 18

Edmond G. Miranne 19

Barbara Glancey Reid 20

John J. Watermeier, Jr. 22

District D candidates are:

James A. Moreau 24

Burt E. Scofield 25

Robert J. Zibilich 26

District E. candidates are:

Philip C. Ciaccio 27

Daniel L. Kelly 28

James V. Serio, Jr. 29

Cook The next office is that of assessor. The city is divided into 7 Municipal Districts, each with an assessor. The assessor lists and puts a value on all property. This is what determines how much property tax you pay.

Carey ~~Thompson~~ Only 3 of these municipal districts have an election for assessor this year.

Third District, which includes wards 7, 8, and 9. candidates are:

Willam P. "Cy" Hickey, Jr. 30

Delmas J. Kirn 31

Fourth District, wards 10 and 11, candidates are:

Richard F. Burke 32

Bernard J. McCloskey 33

Fifth District, ward 15, candidates are:

Joseph C. Modenbach 35

Gerald A. Wilson 36

Only your district will appear on your ballot. If there is no assessor listed, you'll know that there is no contest for this office in your district.

Butler Everybody seems to understand fairly well what the District Attorney does. Is that office to be voted on this year?

Carey ~~Thompson~~ Yes. The candidates are:

Jim Garrison 37

Malcolm V. O'Hara 41

Carey ~~Thompson~~ Let's examine the rest of the ballot. The next office is Civil Sheriff of the Parish and the candidates are:

Rodney A. Buras 42

Harold J. "Tookie" Gilbert 43

Butler What does he do?

Carey ~~Thompson~~ He takes care of violations of city regulations that are not criminal and takes care of absentee voting.

Cook The next two offices deal with the Criminal Court.

Carey ~~Thompson~~ The candidates for the Clerk of Criminal Court are:

Arthur C. Dale, Jr. 44

Edward A. Haggerty 45

Cook I suppose he sees to the details that keep the criminal courts working.

Carey ~~Thompson~~ Yes, and he's also the custodian of voting machines. Next . . . the Criminal Sheriff of the Parish. He runs the Parish Prison. The candidates are:

Earl J. Amedee 46

Laurence I. Barras 47

John J. Borne, Jr. 48

Louis A. Heyd, Jr. 49

Patrick James Horrigan 50

Connie Ryan 51

Louis E. Thomas, Jr. 52

Don't name all these - just refer

Three are running for Recorder of Mortgages . . . keeps list of mortgages:

Francis J. Demarest, Sr. 53

Philip L. Haik, Sr. 54

Lawrence P. LaMarca 55

And, three are running for Register of Conveyances (~~[illegible]~~) (record real estate transfers)

Jack J. Charbonnet 57

Ernest J. Hessler 58

William E. Stavis 59

Cook The next offices deal with the City Court. The city is so big that the court is divided into two districts.

Carey ~~Thompson~~ If you live in the first district which is all wards except 15, these will be listed on your ballot for Clerk of City Court:

Edward L. Boesch 60

Nat Gros 61

If you live in the second district, ward 15, there will be no candidates listed on your ballot for Clerk because there is no contest.

Wellington A. Arnaud 62
Clyde F. Bel, Sr. 63
David A. Legier 65
are running for Constable of the First City Court.

~~Also are elected in the last district in the Second Court of the City Court~~ An interesting fact about this office is that the salary is what he collects in office (fees of office) and this was over $26,000 in 1962. Candidates: For Constable in the Second City Court we have:

Thomas Robert Diket, Jr. 66

Henry Michel Grundmeyer 67

Louis M. Wattigny 68

Vote for 1 for this office.

There's one special election to fill a vacancy for Judge, Civil District Court, Division D. Candidates are:

Guy J. D'Antonio 75

John Lanne 77

S. Sanford Levy 78

William V. Redmann 79

That ends the ballot for this election.

Butler Now that we've gone through this, I have a better idea of how city government works and how it affects me.

Cook This really makes you feel the responsibility of knowing something about the people for whom you vote, doesn't it?

Butler Yes, and this is what I hear all the time, "How can I know who is the best candidate?"

Cook I guess there's no check list or hard and fast set of standards to go by in making your choice, but maybe we can come up with some suggestions . . . Each of you "specialists" give briefly some advice.

Byrne — Watch TV, listen to the radio, read the papers, attend open meetings of the candidates . . . you can learn much by just keeping your ears open and listening.

Carey ~~Thompson~~ — Keep informed so you aren't pressured at the last minute by some rumor you have heard about a candidate. . . a rumor which can't be proved.

Logsdon — Make up your own mind, without being influenced by any group, by considering each candidate in terms of the job that he will do for us, what his qualifications and experience are for that job.

Cook — Now let's take a look at the monster, the voting machine itself.

(INTRODUCE: Mrs. Robert Johnston, President of New Orleans League of Women Voters)

Show us how to use that thing!

Johnston — I remember when I first voted I thought it was awfully confusing . . . all those levers! So, I'd like to show you that it really isn't so scary!

REF-Voting machine

(Real thing! Complete demonstration)

First, you close the curtain. (STICK head out). The thing I like best is that my vote in here is <u>secret</u>. I don't have to tell anyone--not even my husband!

(THROW BACK curtains and show how to operate machine)

If you change your mind or push the wrong lever, can correct it. . . You can take a piece of paper, say, this sample ballot, in the booth with you, listing all the candidates you have selected . . , by name or <u>number</u>. This will save time in the voting booth. 3 min. allowed.

Open the curtain. . . X's disappear.

It's not so bad, after all, is it?!

Cook — (SUMMARIZES) So the date is Nov. 6 . . .Hours are 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. . . . Must vote for 2 councilmen-at-large . . . only one for all other offices. . . Know your ward and precinct . . call if you need information . , .List your numbers before entering booth. . .<u>Be sure to vote</u>. . . Don't take attitude that everybody else is so you don't need to. . . Have a strong voice in New Orleans, <u>Your</u> vote is important.

REF-Phone numbers

TO VEP-31

April 14, 1966

Mr. Richard Haley
Regional Director, CORE
2209 Dryades Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Haley:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of CORE for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Owachita County, Louisiana. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,670.00 for a period of eight weeks, to run from April 25 to June 20, 1966.

In accordance with our agreement, the grant will cover voter registration in Owachita County as follows:

a)	Transportation	$ 450.00
b)	Three (3) task force workers (@$25.00 per week)	600.00
c)	Office Rent	100.00
d)	Office Supplies	150.00
e)	Telephone	70.00
f)	Educational Materials	300.00
		$1,670.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips, and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Friday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit these reports and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of the number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Mrs. Barbara Patterson, will write to you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosures

TO pls reply

April 22, 1966

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Mr. Vernon Jordan
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Vernon,

The enclosed card carries the name and address of the person to whom you should direct the first monetary allotment for the Louisiana VEP Program. Mr. Hasperue, Jr. advised me that he could not officially open the account until he receives a deposit. He anticipates confusion if you should simply direct a check to National Bank of Commerce. By directing the check to the branch with which CORE does business, you will be able to save time and avoid confusion. On receipt of the check Mr. Hasperue will immediately advise me, at which time I can complete the procedures for opening the account. The bank in turn will forward to you a letter verifying the opening of the account, a deposit receipt for the amount you have forwarded and a number of deposit slips. Would you send me a substantial number of the financial report forms of distribution among the projects.

Isaac Reynolds is still in the process of selecting staff; you will receive names and addresses as soon as he has completed this task.

Just a word about organization. We have set up this program under the aegis of an unincorporated non-profit association, the Louisiana Committee on Registration Education. Officers are Robert Collins (of Collins, Douglas & Elie), president; Isaac Reynolds, Vice President; Richard Haley, Secretary-treasurer. This is necessary because the local bank requires signatures of the officers of the organization in order to open the account, and it would be impractical to circulate the sheet all over the country for signatures of CORE'S national officers. Isaac Reynolds and I are authorized to sign checks. I think the above covers all necessary information up to this point.

Sincerely,

Richard

Richard Haley
CORE Southern Office

RH/lmw
Enclosure

April 26, 1966

Mr. Paul R. Hasperue, Jr.
Assistant Cashier
St. Charles - Jackson Branch
The National BAnk of Commerce
in New Orleans
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Hasperue:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $1,267.50 to be deposited to the account of the Louisiana Voter Education Program. Would you inform Mr. Richard Haley so that he may complete the procedure of opening up the account.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosure

April 26, 1966

Mr. Richard Haley
Regional Director, CORE
2209 Dryades Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Dick:

Enclosed are the following:

a) Copy of letter to the St. Charles - Jackson Branch of The National Bank of Commerce, transmitting funds.

b) Weekly reporting forms.

We hope that your prgram will be very successful.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosures

May 3, 1966

Mr. Paul R. Hasperue, Jr.
Assistant Cashier
St. Charles - Jackson Branch
The National Bank of Commerce
in New Orleans
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Hasperue:

Enclosed you will find our check in the amount of $645.92 to be deposited in the account of the Regional Office of CORE, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Richard Haley

May 3, 1966

Mr. Richard Haley
Regional Director, CORE
2209 Dryades Street
New Orlenas, Louisiana

Dear Dick:

Enclosed you will find the following:

a) Our letter to the St. Charles - Jackson Branch; of The National Bank of Commerce in New Orleans, transmitting funds in the amount of $645.92.

b) Weekly reporting forms.

We hope that your voter registration program is going well.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosures

May 11, 1966

Mr. Richard Haley
Regional Director, CORE
2209 Dryades Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Dick:

Enclosed you wil find the following:

1) The copy of our letter to The National Bank of Commerce transmitting funds in the amount of $500.00.

2) Copy of the deposit slips

We hope that your program is going well.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosures

May 11, 1966

Mr. Paul R. Hasperue, Jr.
Assistant Cashier
St. Charles-Jackson Branch
The National Bank of Commerce
in New Orleans
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Hasperue:

Enclosed you will find our check in the amount of $500.00 to be deposited to the account of the Southern Regional Office of CORE.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosure

May 12, 1966

Mr. Richard Haley
Regional Director, CORE
2209 Dryades Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Dick:

In compliance with the provisions of our guidelines, we are forwarding a copy of your Bank Reconciliation as of April 29, 1966.

It is our sincere wish that your program is indeed successful, and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosure

a national organization with affiliated local groups working

to abolish racial discrimination by direct, nonviolent methods

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CORE VEP
Ouachita Parish
Feild Report
May 25, 1966

There isn't any absolute method that we here in Ouachita Parish can find in registering people. We have tried several different methods. Some are old and new. Possibly 1966 may require newer methods, we don't know as of yet.

In the first part of the drive, we tried to get the word to the people through the press and leaflets. We found that this had no direct and positive affect on encouraging the people to come out. As you might know already: CORE registered about 5,200 Blacks during Aughus of the summer of '65. Then, we used leaflets and mass meetings for a gimmick to attract the peoples attention. Since then registration has taken a considerable plunge. We now feel that this massive attraction to register was due to the recent passage of the Voters Rights Act which no longer appeals to the people.

Leaving that method we tried to push advertisment in the so-called Negro newspaper. Out of a $48.00 ad we registered about 40 people on the 21st of May. We came to an agreement that money

doesn't come easy, so we decided that the best way would be to go back to older methods. One, which we tried today, was the door to door, talk and more talk canvass. Today we contacted 103 people using this method. Fifty-nine were registered and forty-four were not.

CONCLUSION:

Ward 10-We placed our greater efforts and cash into this ward. We now feel that the reason there wasn't a dynamic reaction is that most of those people are registered. It's hard to find a needle in a hay-stack and that's what we were doing.

Ward 5-This is the area we moved into today. Using the old method we ########### received a pretty fair reception. This is going to be our feild of concentratism for the coming weeks.

Ward 3-This area hasn't yet been touched by our leaflets. I think that for the coming weeks we will organize mass block meetings for registering. The blacks are the majority in this area and like-so are they pertaining to un*registered voters.

Others*Our next immediate virgin targets are the rural areas and the towns of Sterlington & Calhoun. CORE has never stepped foot into these places doing V.R.

We realize that the past hasn't been too bright but maybe the future will share some light.

Submitted by:

Jimmie Andrews

Carla Brown

Mick Robinson

May 31, 1966

Mr. Richard Haley
Regional Director, CORE
2209 Dryades Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Dick:

Enclosed are the following: a) Copy of our letter of transmittal to the National Bank of New Orleans, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report Forms for your weekly reports.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

CORE SOUTHERN OFFICE
2209 DRYADES ST.
NEW ORLEANS, LA. 70113

June 14, 1966

RECEIVED
JUN 17 1966

Thaddeus Oliver
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth St. N.W.
Atlanta, Ga. 30303

Dear Thaddeus:

Mike Robinson, one of our workers from Monroe, La. was killed in an automobile accident Saturday, June 4th. Richard Haley and I feel that we should close the project in Monroe down as of today.

All bills in Monroe except the phone and car rental bill have been paid. We will paid the phone bill this week and our lawyer has suggest that we delay paying the car bill until we receive an accident report from the state police. We have receive a verbal report from the police clearing Mike of any fault in the accident.

Mike had some VEP money and two VEP checks on his person at the time of the accident. I have cancelled the checks and enclosed them with the last report from Monroe. The VEP money Mike had was a small amount and rather than attempt to determine which money was which we will write that money off.

cc. Vernon Jordan

Sincerely,

Isaac Reynolds

Isaac Reynolds
Louisiana State Director
Congress of Racial Equality

June 14, 1966

Mr. Richard Haley
Regional Director, CORE
2209 Dryades Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Dick:

On Friday, June 17, I plan to be in New Orleans, and will leave on the following Sunday at 1:15 p. m.

I would appreciate being able to discuss with you several items concerning the project, and trust this meets with your approval. I will contact you upon arrival, and look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm

Parish	Full-time Workers	Salary $25/wk.	Student workers	Salary $1/hr.	Transportation	OFFICE Rent	Suppl.	Teleph.	Educ. mater.	TOTAL
Madison	4	800.00	—		450.00	—	150.00	70.00	200.00	1670.00
Ouachita	3	600.00	4	480.00	450.00	100.00	150.00	70.00	300.00	1670.00
Claiborne	4	800.00		—	450.00	60.00	150.00	70.00	200.00	1730.00
TOTALS	11	2200.00	4	480.00	1350.00	160.00	450.00	210.00	700.00	5070.00

Above is proposal for three parishes in Louisiana. Program begins April 25, runs through June 20. (8 weeks).

$480.00 is allotment for student participants in VEP work-study program + not to be included in above budget.

R. Haley

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XXXXXXXXXXXX Project Director

SOUTHERN REGIONAL OFFICE OF CORE

Budget Revision for Owachita County 8 week program

April 25 to June 20, 1966

VEP 66-35 Report due Friday

(3) Task Force Workers @ $25 per week	$600.00	
Transportation	450.00	
Office Rent	100.00	
Office Supplies	150.00	
Telephone	70.00	
Educational Materials	300.00	
		$1670.00

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July 12, 1966

Mr. Paul R. Hasperus, Jr.
Assistant Cheshier
St. Charles-Jackson Branch
The National Bank of Commerce
in New Orleans
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Hasperus:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $600.00 to be deposited to the Louisiana Committee on Registration. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Richard Haley

REGISTRATION REPORT TO
VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Name of Project Claiborne Parish Voter Education project

Date covered by report: From June 22 to June 29 1966

Area covered by report Wards 1-7-8 5-6

Date submitted June 29. 1966

Number successfully registered 24

Number denied registration by registrar none

Reason

Number approached about registration 230

By canvas (give number of houses, buildings, blocks) 92

By meetings (give attendance, place)

Other (specify)

Number refusing to register

Reason

Remarks

Expense Report for
week of July 30, 1969

Bal		7.39	
advanced		$15.00	
		22.39	22.39

Expenses:

Gas		7.31	
		8.67	
		5.00	
Meals	7/28 2.49		
	7/29 2.64		
	7/30 1.97		
	7/31 1.73		
	8.83	8.83	
		29.81	29.81

Minus Balance	7.42
Reimburse	7.42
Balance	-0-

Isaac Reynolds

August 23, 1966

Mrs. Ernest N. Morial
Vice-Chairman
Operation Registration
545 Saint Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Dear Mrs. Morial:

Thank you for your letter and report of August 15. Everything is in good order and we appreciate the thoroughness of the report.

However, thus far we have not received any statistical report on the progress of your registration drive. These reports should be filed on a standard form, a sample of which is enclosed. If you need additional forms, we will be happy to supply them.

Best of luck in your drive. Thanks again for your comprehensive reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

November 28, 1966

Mrs. Bernice Leder
St. Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Bernice:

With the very obvious success of your project still reverberating, I am sure that such matters as reporting is far from your mind at the moment. However, the provisions of our guidelines must be met. I am afraid that I must intrude on your elation for a moment and call to your attention the fact that we have not received your final report. We must have this before additional funds can be advanced.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
cc: Mrs. Mary Sands

December 28, 1966

Mrs. Mary Sands
1447 Granada Drive
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Dear Mrs. Sand:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pc

December 28, 1966

Gentilly Office
The Hibernia National Bank
in New Orleans
P.O. Box 8128
Gentilly Station
New Orleans, Louisiana 70122

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $150.50 to be deposited to the account of the Operation Registration Program. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pc

Madison Parish V.E.P.
Tallulah, Louisiana

Over the period of eight (8) weeks, we have successfully registered some one hundred twenty-six (126) persons in this parish.

There were some ten (10) persons denied registration by the registrar because of improper identification.

Throughout the drive, we approached eight hundred (800) people about registration. We conducted weekly meeting informing people of the drive.

Some eighty person refused to register because of numerous of reason such as felony charges, long work hours and having not lived in the parish long enough.

VEP - 66 - 67

June 23, 1966

The Reverend J. S. Thompson
Secretary
Shreveport Louisiana Branch, NAACP
2755 Ashton Street
Shreveport, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Thompson:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Shreveport Louisiana Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Shreveport, Louisiana. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for an eight week period to run from June 27 to August 19, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary @ $50.00 per week	$ 400.00
b)	Secretary @ $35.00 per week	280.00
c)	Task Force Workers (3) (@ $ 15.00 per week)	360.00
d)	Postage & Printing	75.00
e)	Telephone	50.00
f)	Office Supplies	50.00
g)	Transportation	200.00
h)	Rent	85.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SEC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of RecipientsOrganizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully, and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports, setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

cc: W. C. Patton

June 23, 1966

The Reverend J. S. Thompson, Secretary
Shreveport, Louisiana Branch, NAACP
2755 Ashton Street
Shreveport, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Thompson:

In his letter of June 23, 1966 Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program begins June 27, we will need reports from you on July 11, July 25, August 8, and August 22.

In addition, we will need two narrative reports from you--one on July 25, and another on August 25, after your program has been completed. These longer reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials

used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or improtance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

July 8, 1966

Mr. James C. Lewis
Vice-President
Commercial National Bank
Shreveport, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Lewis:

Thank you for the very expeditious manner in which you handled our recent transaction.

Please be advised that no special checks will be needed in connection with this account. We appreciate your interest and thank you for writing us.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm

Bc Rev Thompson

July 27, 1966

The Reverend J. S. Thompson
Shreveport Louisiana Branch, NAACP
2755 Ashton St.
Shreveport, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Thompson:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Commercial National Bank, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 27, 1966

Commercial National Bank
Shreveport, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $300.00 to be deposited to the account of the Shreveport Louisiana Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. J. S. Thompson

June 27, 1966

The Reverend J. S. Thompson
Shreveport Louisiana Branch, NAACP
2755 Ashton Street
Shreveport, Louisiana

Dear Reverend Thompson:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Southside Voter Education and Registration Project, b) copy of deposit slip indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

June 27, 1966

Commercial National Bank
Shreveport, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $375.00 to be deposited to the account of the Shreveport, Louisiana Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

cc: Mr. J. S. Thompson

JAMES C. LEWIS
VICE-PRESIDENT

Commercial National Bank
IN SHREVEPORT

SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

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July 1, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Five Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

This will acknowledge your letter of June 27 enclosing resolution, signature cards, and your check in the amount of $375. We have used this check to open an account under the title of NAACP Voter Education Fund, and account identification cards are enclosed.

We are pleased to have this relationship and ask that you advise if printed checks will be needed in connection with your use of this account.

The account number assigned, 82-02-0, should appear on all deposit slips as well as checks.

Sincerely yours,

JCL:dp

Enc.

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July 8, 1966

Mr. James C. Lewis
Vice-President
Commercial National Bank
Shreveport, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Lewis:

Thank you for the very expeditious manner in which you handled our recent transaction.

Please be advised that no special checks will be needed in connection with this account. We appreciate your interest and thank you for writing us.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm

July 27, 1966

Commercial National Bank
Shreveport, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $300.00 to be deposited to the account of the Shreveport Louisiana Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. J. S. Thompson

July 27, 1966

The Reverend J. S. Thompson
Shreveport Louisiana Branch, NAACP
2755 Ashton St.
Shreveport, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Thompson:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Commercial National Bank, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 19, 1966

The Reverend J. S. Thompson
Shreveport Louisiana Branch, NAACP
2755 Ashton St.
Shreveport, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Thompson:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Commercial National Bank, b) copy of deposit slip, c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls

August 19, 1966

Commercial National Bank
P.O. Box 1119
Shreveport, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $300.00 to be deposited to the account of the Shreveport Louisiana Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 9, 1966

The Reverend J. S. Thompson
Shreveport Louisiana Branch, NAACP
2755 Ashton St.
Shreveport, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Thompson:

A recent audit of your Project's Account indicates that fiscal reporting from your project is quite delinquent.

Our last reporting from you was received July 29. Would you kindly bring us up-to-date. Thank you.

Yours truly,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

September 9, 1966

The Reverend J. S. Thompson
Shreveport Louisiana Branch, NAACP
2755 Ashton St.
Shreveport, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Thompson:

A recent audit of your Project's Account indicates that fiscal reporting from your project is quite deliquent.

Our last reporting from you was received July 29. Would you kindly bring us up-to-date. Thank you.

Yours truly,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

September 19, 1966

The Reverend J. S. Thompson
Shreveport Louisiana Branch, NAACP
2755 Ashton St.
Shreveport, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Thompson:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 19, 1966

Commercial National Bank
Post Office Box 1119
Shreveport, Louisiana

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $146.00 to be deposited to the account of the Shreveport, Louisiana Branch, NAACP Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 27, 1966

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The Reverend J. S. Thompson
Secretary
Shreveport Branch, N. A. A. C. P.
2755 Ashton Street
Shreveport, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Thompson:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 15 expressing appreciation for the assistance received by the Shreveport Branch from the Voter Education Project. Suffice it to say, we have just done our job, and are pleased that we were able to come to the assistance of the Shreveport Branch in its voter registration program.

We appreciate very much your kind thoughts, and the time you took to express them to us.

Thank you kindly.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

SHREVEPORT BRANCH N.A.A.C. P.
2755 ASHTON STREET
SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

15th October, 1966

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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Gentlemen:

Please accept our deep thanks of appreciation for the Voter Education Project you have enabled us to carry on through your generous grant.

As we have explained in a previous letter, the city of Shreveport has been, and still is, a city of the past, bedecked with Southern customs and traditions. This being the case, registration and voting had been at a snail pace.

However, we are pleased to let you know that during our Voter-Education, which is still in progress, we were able to register two thousand Negroes. This was done with the co-operation of other groups.

Our project is often hindered by Louisiana law. Thirty days prior to an election all books (Registrar's) are closed. For the past three months the city has had two elections, and a third is scheduled for November 9. This is the only reason why our report is so haphazzard.

As soon as the books are opened, we plan to continue our drive when you will again receive regular reports.

You will be delighted to know that four Negroes ran for public office during these elections-three for the Caddo School Board and one for the Police Jury. The candidate for the Police Jury was able to be in the run off.

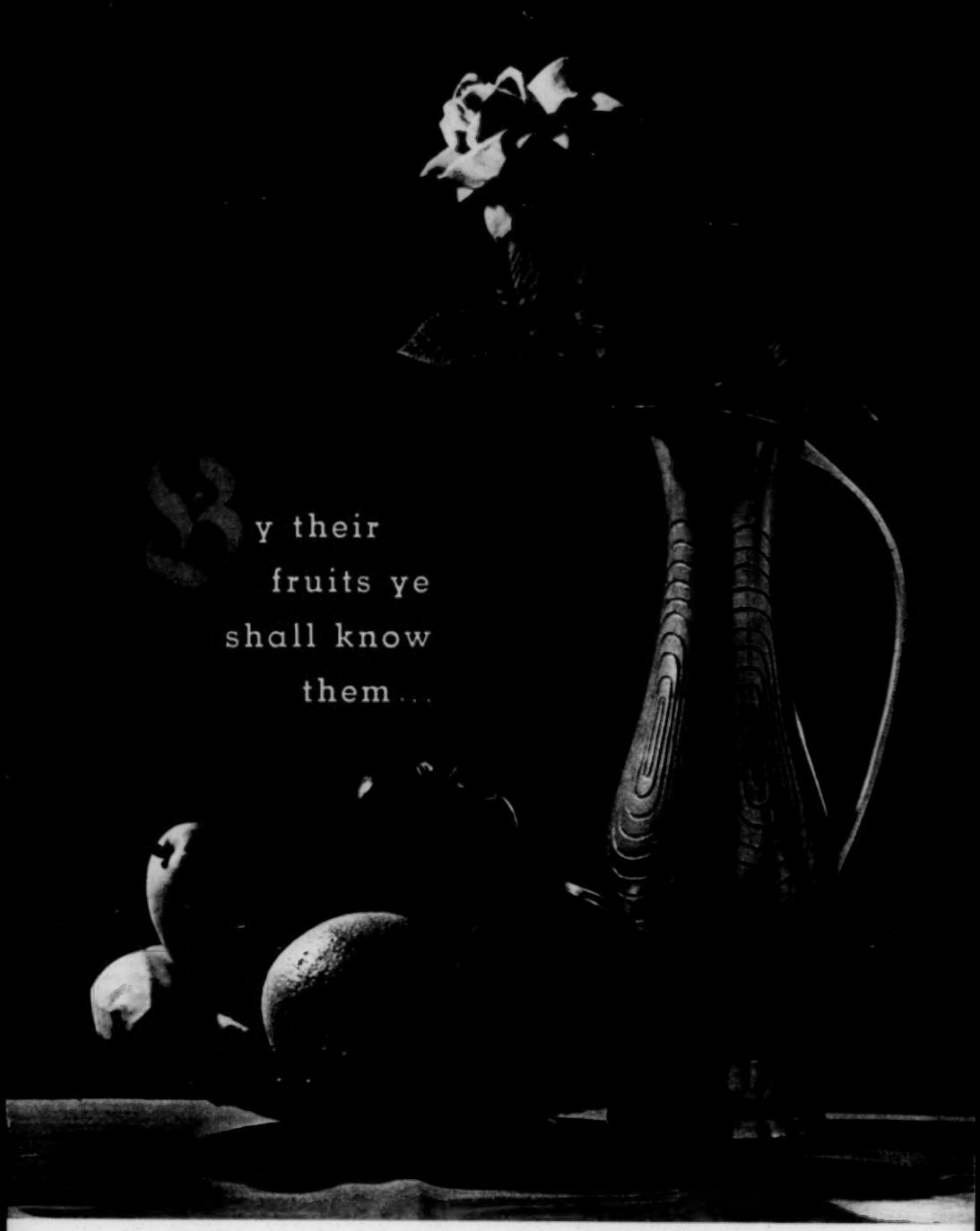
We are certain that this programme played a great role in turning out seventy percent of Negro registrants. This is the first time in the history of the Parish that Negroes have turned out in such large numbers.

We solicit your patience and continued support in this so worthy a project.

Yours in His royal service,

J. S. Thompson

J. S. Thompson
Secretary



CENTRAL FREE METHODIST CHURCH
2755 Ashton • Shreveport, Louisiana
Rev. J. S. Thompson, Pastor • Call 422-6007 — 423-3063

THE SWEETEST SPIRITUAL LIFE is the life of self-unconsciousness through which we become so united to Christ, and live so constantly in His life, nourished, fed, and constantly filled with His Spirit and presence, that we absorb from Him His own being, and then grow up—into Him—in all things, to be filled with all the fullness of His imparted life. When the heart is thus sweetly occupied with the Lord, and so delightfully busy serving Him, it is lifted out of its own consciousness to reflect the glory from the shining of His face.

THE WORLD MEASURES CHRIST BY YOU

If your life is a disappointment to yourself and to God, and you know it is a weak, anemic affair in contrast to the New Testament standard, then you need a crisis! The Christian's walk and warfare are dependent upon the indwelling Spirit of God having full sway in heart and life.

One of the Christian's greatest foes is *Religious Complacency!* Lack of spiritual desire will cause you to fall to a low estate! Among the many professing Christians few reveal passionate thirst for God.

The man who believes he has arrived will not go any farther; from his standpoint it would be foolish to do so. The snare is to believe we have arrived when we have not.

Truth not experienced may be fully as dangerous as error. The scribes who sat in Moses' seat were not the victims of error; they were the victims of their failure to experience the truth which they taught.

Many spiritual advisers discourage such little longings as may be discovered here and there. We fear extremes, and shy away from too much ardor in religion as if it were possible to have too much love or too much faith or too much holiness.

Do not underrate anything God may have done for you heretofore. Thank God for everything up to this point, but do not stop here. Press on into the deep things of God. Insist upon tasting the profounder mysteries of redemption; keep your feet on the ground, but let your heart soar as high as it will.

Refuse to be average or to surrender to the chill of your spiritual environment. If you thus "follow after" heaven will surely be opened to you and you will, with Ezekiel, see visions of God.

Unless you do these things you will reach at last and unknown to you the boneyard of orthodoxy and be doomed to live out your days in a spiritual state best described as "The dead level of mediocrity." From such a state God save us.

—*A. W. Tozer.*

Harold M. Lambert

The Free Methodist Church

"The Church of the Light and Life Hour"

CATHEDRAL ART FOLDERS

Project

December 22, 1967

Dr. L. C. Pendleton
1514 Gary Street
Shreveport, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Pendleton:

I plan to be in North Leosiana around Christmas and would like very much to talk with you about program possibilities for 1968. Hopefully, we could discuss your anticipated programs and some of our goals for the state of Louisiana during the coming year.

Best wishes for a happy holiday season.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm

June 15, 1967

Mr. John Britton
U.S. Commission on Civil Rights
Information Office
801 19th Street , N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Britton:

Mr. Marvin Wall, the director of research of the Voter Education Project, asked me to send you this Xeroxed copy of a photo of our Caddo Parish (La.) Voter Education Project. He will send the print as soon as it is available. If this is not sufficient please write and let him know.

Yours sincerely,

Patricia Collins
Research Assistant
Voter Edcuation Project

July 13, 1967

Dr. L.C. Pendleton
1514 Gary Street
Shreveport, Louisiana

June 16 and narrative reports.

5/18/66

Brookhaven Branch NAACP
212 Gulledge St.
Brookhaven, Miss.

Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

This is a request for funds to conduct a voter registration campaign in the City of Brookhaven, and Lincoln County, Mississippi. Here in Lincoln county only about two hundred fifty of a possible four thousand Negroes over the age of 21 are registered to vote. This is due mainly because the local Negro community is unable to bear the financial burden of any organized program of registration on any broad scale sufficient to do the job.

We would like to conduct a 10 week campaign. The following expense must be met to carry on the campaign.

Twelve workers (College students home for the summer) @ $15.00 per week - $1, 800.00.

Automobile transportation	@ $25.00 per week	$225.00
Drivers for automobile	25.00	225.00
Program coordinator	25.00	225.00
Radio Advertisement		50.00
Telephone		20.00
Stationary		40.00
Postage		40.00
Miscellaneous		40.00
		$2,665.00

We would appreciate any consideration given our request. We have invited Mr. Charles Evers to be the principal speaker at our mass meeting to kick off our campaign. We have not set the date pending a reply from you.

Thanking you in advance.

Sincerely,
R. L. Stanton
Rev. R. L. Stanton,
President

TO
VEP 77

July 26, 1966

The Reverend R. L. Stanton
President
Brookhaven Branch, NAACP
212 Gulledge Street
Brookhaven, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Stanton:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Lincoln County Branch NAACP, for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Brookhaven, Lincoln County, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $950.00 for a ten week period to run from August 1 to October 7, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to ten weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary @ $25.00 per week	$ 250.00
b)	(5) Task Force Workers (@ $15.00 per week)	450.00
c)	Transportation	200.00
d)	Printing	50.00
		$ 950.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your Project should read these carefully, and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports, setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, and programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, not to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

cc: Messrs. Charles Evers
W. C. Patton

Reading file

July 28, 1966

The Reverend R. L. Stanton
President
Brookhaven Branch, NAACP
212 Gulledge Street
Brookhaven, Mississippi

VEP 77

Dear Mr. Stanton:

In his letter of July 26, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 2 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings held, people contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for the number successfully registered, should be by actual count and not by estimate.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send us the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program begins August 1, we will need reports from you on August 15, August 29, September 12, September 26, and October 10.

In addition, we will need two narrative reports from you -- one on September 5, and the other on October 12, after your program has been completed. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and the techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

We wish for your program every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:nm

Brookhaven Branch NAACP
Brookhaven, Miss
August 1, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Enclosed you will find the material requested in the guidelines of July 26, 1966. We have tried to follow the instruction to the letter. The Brookhaven Bank and Trust Company readily agreed to follow your instruction.

Mr. F. J. Rein, Vice President and Cashier would like for the initial deposit be addressed to his attention in order that he may see that the account is recorder as instructed.

Our project will go into full swing today with Mr. Paul McGill, 503 South First Street as Director. We are demanding from Mr. McGill and those working with him good results, the absence of such results will preclude their service with the project.

We appreciate your approval of our application.

Sincerely

Rev. R. L. Stanton,
President
Brookhaven Branch NAACP

cc: Messrs. Charles Evers
W. C. Patton

August 3, 1966

Brookhaven Bank and Trust Company
Brookhaven, Mississippi 39601

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $250.00 to be deposited to the account of the Brookhaven Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 3, 1966

The Reverend R. L. Stanton
President
Brookhaven Branch, NAACP
212 Gulledge Street
Brookhaven, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Stanton:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Brookhaven Bank and Trust Company, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

BROOKHAVEN BANK AND TRUST COMPANY

BROOKHAVEN, MISSISSIPPI

F. J. REIN
VICE-PRESIDENT AND CASHIER

August 6, 1966

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Attention Mr. Thaddeus Olive, Administrative Assistant

Gentlemen:

Thank you for your account that you opened with our bank styled Brookhaven Branch, NAACP Voter Education Project. Please find enclosed receipt in triplicate in the amount of $250.00.

We also enclose for your convenience two bank-by-mail envelopes.

We appreciate this account very much.

Sincerely,

F. J. Rein

F. J. Rein
Vice President and Cashier

FJR:gs

Enclosures

August 12, 1966

Brookhaven Bank and Trust Company
Brookhaven, Mississippi 39601

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $90.00 to be deposited to the account of the Brookhaven Branch, NAACP, Voter Education Account. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 12, 1966

The Reverend R. L. Stanton
President
Brookhaven Branch, NAACP
212 Gulledge Street
Brookhaven, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Stanton:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

August 17, 1966

Mr. F. J. Rein
Vice President and Cashier
Brookhaven Bank and Trust Company
Brookhaven, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Rein:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $99.00 to be deposited to the account of the Brookhaven Branch, NAACP Voter Education Account. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 17, 1966

The Reverend R. L. Stanton
President
Brookhaven Branch, NAACP
212 Gulledge St.
Brookhaven, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Stanton:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Brookhaven Bank and Trust Company, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 24, 1966

Brookhaven Bank and Trust Company
Brookhaven, Mississippi 39601

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $90.00 to be deposited to the account of the Brookhaven Branch, NAACP, Voter Education Account. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 24, 1966

The Reverend R. L. Stanton
President
Brookhaven Branch, NAACP
212 Gulledge Street
Brookhaven, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Stanton:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 29, 1966

The Reverend R. L. Stanton
President
Brookhaven Branch, NAACP
212 Gulledge St.
Brookhaven, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Stanton:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b)copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
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August 30, 1966

Brookhaven Bank and Trust Company
Brookhaven, Mississippi 39601

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount ~~of~~ $92.00 to be deposited to the account of the Brookhaven Branch, NAACP, Voter Education Account. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 9, 1966

The Reverend R. L. Stanton
President
Brookhaven Branch, NAACP
212 Gulledge St.
Brookhaven, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Stanton:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 9, 1966

Brookhaven Bank & Trust Company
Brookhaven, Mississippi 39601

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $118.76 to be deposited to the account of the Brookhaven Branch, NAACP, Voter Education. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

212 Gulledge St.
Brookhaven, Miss.
September 11, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

This report will terminate this phase of our Registration Project. The students returned to school this week, and we have no other workers for this category.

However, we do have one major task left, the copying of the Registration roll at the Court House.

Sincerely Yours,
R. L. Stanton
Rev. R. L. Stanton,
President
Brookhaven Branch NAACP

September 19, 1966

The Reverend R. L. Stanton
President
Brookhaven Branch, NAACP
212 Bulledge Street
Brookhaven, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Stnaton:

Thank you very much for your letter of September 11. It has been a pleasure and privilege to have your proposal in our files. May I congradulate you and other members of your Branch for job well done.

Mr. Wall, in his letter of July 28, mentioned certain reports that are required. May I remind you that as you bring this part of your program to an end, that this report should describe the scope and organization your program to an end, that this report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 19, 1966

The Carghage Bank
Carthage, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $95.00 to be deposited to the account of the Brookhaven Branch, NAACP, Voter Education Account. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 3, 1966

Brookhaven Bank & Trust Company
Brookhaven, Mississippi 39601

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $95.00 to be deposited to the account of the Brookhaven Branch, NAACP, Voter Education. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

1.00

BUDGET REVISION: Brookhaven Branch, NAACP

VEP 66-77 Report due Tuesday of each week

10 Week Program August 1 to October 7, 1966

Director @ $25. per week	$250.00
(5) Task Force Workers @ $15. per week	450.00 ~~200.00~~ 1000
Transportation	~~250.00~~
~~Supplies~~ PRINTING	~~50.00~~ 50.00 ~~$[illegible]~~ 950.00

50. materials
Printing

cc: Charles Evers
W. C. Patton

$~~1,000~~ 950. for 10 wks

cc. Charles Evers

TO

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OCT 11 1966

212 Gulledge Street
Brookhaven, Miss.
October 9, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive, Aministrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

Please excuse the delay in sending a report as due. We have been in the midst of closing our Conference Year, attending the Annual Conference, and beginning a new years work.

Within a few days you will receive our report. Because of the Circuit Court being in session durning the past four weeks, this week is the first opportunity we have had to begin copying the registration roll.

Sincerely Yours,
R. L. Stanton
Rev. R. L. Stanton, President
Brookhaven Branch NAACP

October 19, 1966

The Reverend R. L. Stanton
President
Brookhaven Branch, NAACP
212 Gulledge Street
Brookhaven, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Stanton:

I have just read, with interest, your final report. Thank you again for the leadership provided to your Branch.

It will be permissible to draw from your balance the amount needed for your follow-up work.

If we can be of further service to you, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 24, 1966

The Reverend R. L. Stanton
President
Brookhaven Branch, NAACP
212 Gulledge Street
Brookhaven, Mississippi

Dear Reverend Stanton:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 24, 1966

Brookhaven Bank and Trust Company
Brookhaven
Mississippi 39601

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $47.00 to be deposited to the account of the Brookhaven Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

November 7, 1966

The Reverend R. L. Stanton
President
Brookhaven Branch, NAACP
212 Bulledge St.
Brookhaven, Mississippi

Dear Reverend Stanton:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely, y

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 7, 1966

Brookhaven Bank & Trust Company
Brookhaven, Mississippi 39601

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $34.00 to be deposited to the account of the Brookhaven Branch, NAACP Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 14, 1966

Brookhaven Bank & Trust Company
Brookhaven
Mississippi 39601

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $34.24 to be deposited to the account of the Brookhaven Branch. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 14, 1966

The Reverend R. L. Stanton
President
Brookhaven Branch, NAACP
212 Gulledge Street
Brookhaven, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Stanton:

It has been a pleasure and privilege to have your proposal in our files. May I congradulate you and other members of your Branch for a job well done.

Mr. Wall, in his letter of July 28, 1966 mentioned certain reports that are required. May I remind you that this report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter, b) copy 66 deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

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JAN 26 1967

Brookhaven Branch NAACP
212 Gulledge Street
Brookhaven, Mississippi
January 24, 1967

Mr. Marvin Wall
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Wall:

We have not been very active in Registration work durning the past two months. We are looking forward to Spring when we will begin anew, hopefully with adult volunteer workers to see how much public interest have been created in political affairs since our last summer project.

A lot of work remains to be done in training, and motivation for better participation in elections. Any information, aid and/or assistance you can give us along this line, or any source to which you can direct us for help will be appreciated.

I am sure the Bank Statements tells you how our account stand. We have not, and are not using those funds for any purpose other than the purpose for which it was granted.

If you think our work would justify our making an application for another summer project subsidy, we would like to be considered.

Sincerely,

Rev. R. L. Stanton,
President

cc: Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Mr. W. C. Patton

Coahoma County BRanch NAACP
213 Fourth Street
Clarksdale, Miss.
February 11, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan
Voter Education Project
Southern Reghonal Council
5 Forsyth Ave.
Atlanta, Georgia

Sujbect: Proposal for Voter Registration Campaign in Coahoma County Mississippi.

Until 1946 Coahoma County had very few if any Negroes Registered to vote. After 1946 Negroes were permitted to register to vote with apparrent ease. From 1946 thru 1953 or 1954 this policy continued. After 1954 because of the Supreme Courts School Desegregation decision state laws and practices dried up Negro Registration. In 1954 there were about 1,000 Negroes in Coahoma County Registered. This figure remained constant until July of 1965.

A combination of things happened in 1965. A Civil Rights bill was passed in 1964 that begin a trend toward some relief in racial situations. In 1965 a voters rights bill was passed and the NAACP conducted a mammonth Voter Registration Drive that brought the total registered voters in Coahoma County to around 3,000. Since July of 1965 the number of Negroes registered to vote now number between 4,000 and 5,000.

In Coahoma County there are 14,500 Negroes over the age of 21. Less than half are registered to vote. There are around 7,000 white citizens over the age of 21. If we can get the Negro Citizens of the County Registered we stand a good channe of sending Negroes to the State Legislature, Electing local officials, Sheriffs, Board of Supervisor members, Constables and Justice of the Peace.

To do this we need a campaign that would employ 20 people. 10 for the city and 10 for the county. High School seniors and college students are available. We would require these persons to work three hours perday after school and all day on Saturdays. They would canvass and so all the jobs necessary to get an d keep a campaign going. We will need to rent office spane for the projject and also secure a bus to work out in the county to bring in to the registrar the persons to be registered also we will need atleast one bus driver. We hope to operate this campaign from March 1, thru May 30 or twelve weeks. The finance needed to conduct this campaign would be the following:

Page 2, Proposal for Voter Registration:

20 Workers at $25.00 Per week	$500.00 Per Week	$2,000.00 Month
Rental of Bus	25.00 " "	100.00 "
Bus Driver	50.00 " "	200.00 "
Program Coordinator	50.00 " "	200.00 "
Office Rent		50.00 "
Misc. Expense	25.00 " "	100.00 "
Telephone		25.00 "
Stationery and Postage	25.00 " "	100.00 "
Monthly Total		$2,775.00

Total for 3 month period $ 8,325.00

The Chairman of our Voter Registration Committee is Mr. James C Gilliam, Grandmaster of the Prince Hall Masons of the State of Mississippi. He is recommending for coordinator of the Program Mr. Cleo Jackson, a long time fighter in the cause of Freedom.

We would appreciate it if you would give this program your immediate attention and fund just as hurriedly as possible.

Aaron E. Henry

Aaron E Henry, President, Coahoma County Branch NAACP

James C. Gilliam

James C Gilliam Chairman, Committee for Voter Registration

cc Mr. W C Patton

Coahoma County Branch NAACP

213 Fourth Street
Clarksdale, Miss.
March 5, 1966

Rec'd 3-8-66

Mr. Vernon Jordan
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Ave
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan:

The Coahoma County Branch of the NAACP expresses its appreciation to you and the Voter Education Project for your approval of our request to conduct a voter registration program.

We would like to ask the following concessions:

1. We neglected in our request to ask for funds to do Radio announcements. There are two radio stations in the community that will carry our Voter Registration announcements. This will cost $100.00 Per month. We request that this item be added to the program that we have submitted this will be an additional $300.00.

2. Previous campaigns for Voter Registration have carried a $25.00 weekly expense allowance for each worker. The approved program from VEP cuts this figure to $15.00 per person. We will have too much difficulty getting qualified persons to work with us on this basis. We request that this figure be raised to $25.00 per person. In the event this is absolutely impossible then we request that we be permitted to cut back on the number of workers to 15 instead of 20 and compensate the 15 on the basis of $25.00 per week instead of 20 at $15.00.

We feel that this is going to be a successful program and we are grateful to VEP for its assistance. We are hopeful that the two additional request being made here will be immediately approved.

Yours truly,

James C. Gilliam

James C. Gilliam, Chairman Voter Registration Committee

Cleo Jackson

Cleo Jackson, Coordinator of Voter Registration Campaign

Aaron E. Henry

Aaron E Henry, President, Coahoma County Branch NAACP

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March 3, 1966

Mr. Aaron Henry
213 4th Street
Clarksdale, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Henry:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of Coahoma County Branch of the NAACP to conduct a voter registration campaign in Ceahoma County, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $3,745.00 for a nine week period to run from March 14 to May 13, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to nine weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Twenty workers @ $15.00 per week	$2,700
b)	Bus rental @$35.00 per week	225
c)	Bus driver @$25.00 " "	225
d)	Program Coordinator @$25.00 per wk.	315
e)	Office Rent @$40.00 per month	100
f)	Telephone	30
g)	Stationery	50
h)	Postage	50
i)	Miscellaneous	50

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank, the Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program, a copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of the number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Mrs. Barbara Patterson, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

March 14, 1966

Mr. Aaron Henry
213 Fourth Street
Clarksdale, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Henry:

We are enclosing the following: a) cash voucher forms, b) deposit slip for the first three weeks; c) copy of our letter to the First National Bank, Clarksdale; and d) weekly reporting forms for your weekly report, which is due Thursday of each week.

It is our sincere wish that your program is successful, and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosures
(As stated above)

March 14, 1966

First National Bank of Clarksdale
Clarksdale, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $832.22 to be deposited to the account of The Coahoma County Branch, NAACP.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:nm
Enclosure
Ck. $832.22

cc: Mr. Aaron Henry

March 15, 1966

Mr. James C. Gilliam
Chairman
Voter Registration Committee
Coahoma County
213 Fourth Street
Clarksdale, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Gilliam:

This is in response to your letter of March 5, wherein you requested additional funds for two items to the grant from the Voter Education Project. Please be advised that we are denying your request for an additional $300.00 for radio announcements of your voter project. We believe that radio stations which gear their programs to a certain segment of the public; should render to that public certain services as a matter of public relations. We, therefore, urge you to inquire of the radio stations involved as to their availability of free spot announcements regarding your program.

You also raised the question of difficulty in getting people to work in your voter registration campaign at the rate of $15.00 per week. We approved the figure of $15.00 per week because in your proposal you stated that you would use students after school on weekdays, and all day Saturday. This is obviously part-time work, and we believe that $15.00 per student is sufficient. On the other hand, however, where you

use adults working full-time five days a week we would not object to your paying them at the rate of $25.00 per week. You may be guided by this rule of the thumb -- that where students are involved on a part-time basis, you are to pay not more than $15.00 per week; but, where other persons are concerned, working on a full-time basis, not more than $25.00 per week.

Anyway you choose to divide the labor and salaries, as between part-time students and full-time workers, is left to your judgment. You are, however, limited to the $2,700 figure for campaign workers. We are aware that you are competition with the poverty program, and other local governmental agencies, insofar as recruiting workers is concerned. We believe, however, that voter registration workers are primarily interested in the cause of voter registration, and finances are only an incidental matter.

Best wishes for a successful program, and we shall be looking forward to receiving your report.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

cc: Mr. Aaron Henry

Coahoma County Branch NAACP
Voter Registration Campaign
213 Fourth Street
Clarksdale, Miss.
March 16, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan
Southern Regional Council
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Avenue
Atlanta, Georgia

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Dear Mr. Jordan:

The Coahoma County Branch of the NAACP is grateful to you and the Southern Regional Council for the approval of our grant and assistance in the current voter registration campaign.

We were dissappointed in the failure to approve the supplement that we requested. We honestly believe that eventually VEP will come around to Radio Advertisement paid for by the campaign using the taped voices of Negro leaders in the community calling on Negroes to register to vote. Where a radio station is willing to do some canned public service voter registration announcements they are not nearly as effective as are the ones done deliberately by groups with the Civil Rights touch. We again ask you to reconsider our request for $300.00 to do the kind of radio advertisement we know will be of a great boost to the program.

A small town radio is not as sensitive to the Negro market as is a special station in Atlanta. Here we have only two radio stations and they serve the entire population not just oursegment. If you come over here in the Delta and work in the campaign we feel that you can better understand this problem. Coahoma County has registered nearly 5,000 Negroes since the Voter Rights Act of 1965. Much of this was done via Radio announcements using local voices to do the selling job. The present report by Mr. August Meier will point out how successful the campaign in Coahoma County has been.

Again we want to say thank you and we hope you can come around to our requested position.

Gratefully yours,

James C Gilliam

James C Gilliam, Chairman Coahoma County Branch Voter Registration Committee.

Aaron E. Henry

Aaron E Henry, President, Coahoma County Branch NAACP

Inclosed Campaign materials.

SATURDAY IS ABSOLUTELY THE BEST AND THE EASIEST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE. WHETHER YOU CAN READ OR WRITE IS NO PROBLEM, ANY READING AND WRITING TO BE DONE, WILL BE DONE BY THE FEDERAL REGISTRAR HIMSELF. THE FEDERAL REGISTRAR IS WAITING EVERY SATURDAY FROM 8:30 A. M. TO 5:30 P. M. TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU GET THE OPPORTUNITY TO REGISTER TO VOTE. PLEASE LET US GO OVER TO REGISTER TO VOTE THIS SATURDAY. ROOM 209 AND 211 IN THE NEW POST OFFICE BUILDING. REMEMBER THE FEDERAL REGISTRAR WILL FILL OUT ALL FORMS AND DO WHATEVER READING AND WRITING THAT IS TO BE DONE HIMSELF.

All Day Free Picnic

FREE VOTER

Registration Picnic

Coahoma County Voter Registration Campaign

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GUEST SPEAKER: REV. R. L. DREW

Saturday, March 12

WHO ARE INVITED? EVERY PERSON OVER THE AGE OF 21 AND CHILDREN ACCOMPANIED BY THEIR PARENTS.

FREE FREE FREE FREE FREE FREE FREE FREE

Transportation provided FREE to the Federal Building to register with the Federal Registrar. You will not be required to take any kind of test. No Reading or Writing required. If you are already registered bring your voter registration slip, which the Federal Registrar gave you when you registered.

THE PICNIC WILL BE HELD AT

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

115 FOURTH STREET CLARKSDALE, MISSISSIPPI

8:30 A. M. TO 4:30 P. M.

SAMPLE

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION

Under penalty of perjury, write the following answers:

1. What is your full name?_____
2. What is your date of birth?_____
3. Are you a citizen of the United States?_____
4. What is your present residence address and each place you have resided during the past two years, stating when you lived at each place?

   a. Present Address:_____;
   From_____to date.

   b. Previous Address:_____;
   From_____To_____

   c. Previous Address_____
   From_____To_____

(If you need additional space use the back side of this form)

5. Are you a minister of the gospel in charge of an organized church, or his wife legally residing with him?_____
6. Have you ever been convicted of the crime of bribery, theft, arson, obtaining money or goods under false pretense, perjury, forgery, embezzlement or bigamy?_____

After you have answered 1 through 6 above, sign the following oath in the presence of the registrar of deputy registrar.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF _____

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am twenty-one years old (or will be before the next election in this county), and that I will have resided in this state two years and my present election district of this county one year next preceding the ensuing election (or if it be stated above that the person proposing to register is a minister of the gospel in charge of an organized church, or his wife legally residing with him, then it will be sufficient to aver therein two years' residence in the state and six months in said election district), and am now in good faith a resident of the same, and that I am not disqualified from voting by reason of having been convicted of any crime named in the constitution of this state as a disqualification to be an elector; that I have truly answered all questions propounded to me in the foregoing application for registration; and that I will faithfully support the Constitution of the United States and of the State of Mississippi, and will bear true faith and allegiance to the same. So help me God.

Applicant sign here:_____

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this____day of_____, 19_____

_____
Registrar or Deputy Registrar

courtesy: NAACP Summer Project in Voter Registration, Room 10, 1072 Lynch Street

SAMPLE APPLICATION FORM BEING USED

BY FEDERAL REGISTRARS IN STATE

Application to be listed under the Voting Rights Act of 1965

State of Mississippi County of_____

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE APPLICANT: Please fill out this side of this form. If you need help in answering any question, the Examiner will help you.

1. Name_____
(First) (Middle) (Last)

2. Age_____

3. Address_____
(RFD or Street Number) (Street)

_____
(City or Town) (State)

4. Are you a minister or minister's wife?....___Yes ___No

5. How long have you lived in Mississippi?....._____

6. How long have you lived at the above address....._____

7. What is your election district?....._____

8. (a) Are you now registered to vote in Mississippi?....___Yes ___No
(b) Are you now listed under the Voting Rights Act?....___Yes ___No

9. Are you a citizen of the United States?....___Yes ___No

10. Have you ever been convicted of a crime other than a traffice violation?....___Yes ___No

11. Have you ever been declared legally insane by a court?....___Yes ___No

Any willful false statement on this application is a Federal crime punishable by fine or imprisonment

COURTESY: NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROGRAM
COAHOMA COUNTY BRANCH

Coahoma County Proposal - Revised budget

9 week grant March 14 - May 13 (deadline to register for primary)
will consider an extension, June 7 - July 8 after
reviewing 1) results of 9 week registration effort
2) voter participation in June 7 primary
in order to provide some continuity of operation,
however, the budget provides office rent for 3 months
not 9 weeks

20 workers @ $15 / wk for 9 wks	$2,700.
bus rental @$25 / wk " "	225.
bus driver @ $25 / wk " "	225.
Pgm. Coordinator @ $35 / wk for 9 wks	315.
Office rent @ $40 / mo for 3 months	~~120~~.100
Telephone for 9 wks	30.
Stationery & postage for 9 wks	100.
Misc. for 9 wks	50.
	$3,765.00

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April 4, 1966

Mr. Aaron Henry
213 Fourth Street
Clarksdale, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Henry:

Our records indicate that your financial reports were due on March 24th and March 31st. Would you let us have these so that your project can be reimbursed.

Your registration efforts to date are very impressive, keep up the good work.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo
Enclosure

April 2, 1966
409 Yazoo
C'dale, Mississippi

Mr. Lhaddeus Oline:

I'am sorry that you haun't receive our reports but we have mail two the one that you were supposed to receive on march 24th and the one for March 31th I'am inclosing a duplicate of the only form you have sent us.

So if there is another form that you are refering to please let me know which one.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,
Miss. Mary Davis - Sec.
Coahoma County Branch Naacp
Voter registeration Campaign

213 Fourth Street
Clarksdale, Miss.
April 5, 1966

Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth XXXXXX Street NW
Atlanta Georgia

Attention Mrs Barbara Patterson:

Inclosed you will find financial report form. This is the first time we have recieved this form and had no knowledge that it was to be filled out and returned.

As you can see we will not be able to meet the payroll this week unless a deposit is made immediately. If you had sent these forms to us sooner they would have been returned to you as you are now requesting. We pay our people on Saturday Morning. We would appreciate it if you would be sure that a deposit to the account is made by that time.

We will now weekly mail you this report as we have some forms. We do not have enough forms for the duration of the project. Will you please see to it that additional forms are made available.

Yours truly,

James C. Gilliam

James C Gilliam, Chairman, Coahoma County NAACP Voters Campaign

Cleo Jackson

Cleo Jackson, Coordinator, Coahoma County NAACP Voters Campaign

Aaron E. Henry

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April 11, 1966

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Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

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Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith is our check in the amount of $819.33 to be deposited to the account of the Coahoma County NAACP Campaign, Clarksdale, Mississippi.

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Coahoma County Branch NAACP
213 Fourth Street
Clarksdale, Miss.
April 11, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan
Voter Education Project
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Vernon:

It was good speaking with you on the telephone earlier today. Thanks for accepting our invitation to speak for the Voter Registration Committee of the Coahoma County Branch of the NAACP on Sunday May 22nd. The program will begin at 2:30 PM and will be held in the Haven Methodist Church.

Please let me know your time of arrival in Memphis so that we can pick you up that is unless you prefer taking a U drive it auto and drive down here yourself.

Anyway let me know at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

Aaron

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April 14, 1966

First National Bank of Clarksdale
Clarksdale, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith is our check in the amount of $383.50 to be deposited to the account of the Coahoma County NAACP Voters Campaign, Clarksdale, Mississippi.

Sincerely Yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

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Clardsdale, Mississippi

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Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

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April 28, 1966

Mr. Aaron Henry
213 Fourth Street
Clarksdale, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Henry:

The weekly reports of the Coahoma County Voter Education Campaign for the past two weeks have been incomplete. In order that you may complete your weekly report, I am sending you the following needed information. Your balance for the beginning of the week should be $260.72. Add the deposits and then you are able to subtract the disbursements. A recent audit of your report dated April 24th shows that you disbursed $233.00, but upon closer examination it should have been $248.00. This information is important for our internal auditing purposes.

Enclosed you will find; our letter to the bank transmitting funds; a copy of the deposit slip; and weekly reporting forms.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

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Administrative Aide

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Administrative Aide

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May 4, 1966

First National Bank of Clarksdale
Clarksdale, Mississippi

RE: Account # 008-2090

Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find our check in the amount of $393.50 to be deposited in the account of the Coahoma County NAACP Voter Campaign, Clarksdale, Mississippi.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

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May 11, 1966

First National Bank of Clarksdale
Clarksdale, Mississippi

Re: Account # 008-2090

Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find our check in the amount of $500.00 to be deposited in the account of the Coahoma County Voter Education Campaign.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

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May 13, 1966

Mr. Aaron E. Henry
President
Coahoma County Branch, NAACP
Voters Campaign
213 Fourth Street
Clarksdale, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Henry:

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., has asked that I forward to you the enclosed information in connection with his commitment to address the Voters Campaign of Coahoma County, on Sunday, May 22, 1966.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

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Coahoma County Branch NAACP Voters Campaign
213 Fourth Street
Clarksdale, Miss.
April 25, 1066

The Coahoma County Voters Campaign blossomed into full bloom on Saturday March 19th with a Freedom Picnic. We enlisted the service of twelve student workers from Coahoma Jr. College and Higgins High School to canvass the county and four adult workers to canvass the City.

A federal registrar is in Coahoma County and the office is opened every Saturday. The County Registrar accepts persons who can read and write for registration daily.

The sixteen workers have canvassed some 2,218 homes for registered voters. This campaign has produced 674 Registered voters at both the Federal and County level. We are avereging between 50 and 100 persons weekly.

There are still a great number of persons yet unregistered some 8000 or more.

Our grant from VEP for the present campaign is scheduled to end on May 21st. We are now asking that a grant for another 9 week period will be made so that we can carry this campaign on thru the Summer. We are producing threre is no doubt about that. The only way we can continue to put registered voters on the book will be with the help of VEP. We would like to keep the young people now working in the campaign with us thru the summer. We would appreciate knowing as soon as possible if we can have a continuation of the program thru the summer.

We have recieved assurance from Mr. Vernon Jordan that he will address the Voters Campaign of Coahoma County on Sunday May 22, 1966. Will you please send to us immediately a photograph and a Biogrophy of Mr. Jordan for program advertisement purposes.

This narrative will give you some idea of how the program is going. We are grateful to VEP for its support and look forward for it to continue.

James C. Gilliam

James C Gilliam, Chairman, Coahoma County Branch NAACP Voters Campaign

Cleo Jackson

Cleo Jackson, Campaign Coordinator

Aaron E. Henry

Aaron E Henry, Branch President

May 18, 1966

Mr. Cleo Jackson
213 Fourth Street
Clarksdale, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Jackson:

In compliance with the provisions of our guidelines, we are forwarding a copy of your Bank Reconciliation April 29, 1966.

In the reconciliation of your bank statement, it was discovered that on Check No. 42, payable to Mrs. Ella Willis on April 9, the amount entered on the Weekly Report was for $30.00, but the amount written on the check was $50.00.

We wish for your program every success.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

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VOTER REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
Coahoma County Branch NAACP
James C. Gilliam, Chairman
Haven Methodist Church
SUNDDAY MAY 22, 1966
James C. Gillam, Presiding
3:00 P. M.

SELECTION.....Youth Choir, Chapel Hill Baptist Church

SCRIPTURE.....Elder Walter Jones

PRAYER.....Elder Walter Jones

MUSICAL SELECTIONS.....Youth Choir, Chapel Hill Baptist Church

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS TO VOTER REGISTRATION WORKERS.....Mr. Cleo Jackson

OFFERING.....Mr. H. Y. Hackett

MUSICAL SELECTIONS.....Youth Choir, Chapel Hill Baptist Church

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST SPEAKER.....Aaron E. Henry

GUEST SPEAKER.....Mr. Vernon Jordan
Voter Education Project
Atlanta, Georgia

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

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Voter Registration Rally!

COAHOMA COUNTY BRANCH NAACP

SUNDAY, MAY 22nd, 1966

HAVEN METHODIST CHURCH
CLARKSDALE, MISSISSIPPI
3:00 P. M.

GUEST SPEAKER

MR. VERNON JORDAN
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
(VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT)
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

THEME:

- "THE FUTURE IN THE NAME OF FREEDOM"
- Stamp Out Police Brutality and Harrassment
- Eliminate Segregation, Discrimination and Racial Bigotry in Schools, Political Offices and the Minds and Hearts of Men.
- Develop Employment for Hundreds of Negro—JOBLESS

Your Vote Can Do It

Coahoma County Branch NAACP
Voters Campaign
213 Fourth Street
Clarksdale, Miss.

Dear Political Leader:

The voting strength of the Negro Population has now topped the 6,000 mark. From around 1,000 voters this time last year to better than 6,000 now is a great stride. Yet, we still have more than 8000 Negroes still unregistered.

This has been a costly campaign. Most of the money for the campaign has been supplied by the Southern Regional Council of Atlanta, Georgia. We have employed around twenty young people for the past 10 weeks to knock on doors, and encourage all of us to go down to register to vote. We are sure that they knocked on your door many times.

THIS CAMPAIGN WILL CLOSE WITH A PUBLIC RALLY ON SUNDAY MAY 22, 1966 AT 3:00 P.M.. THE MAN WHO HAS PROVIDED MOST OF THE MONEY TO CARRY THE CAMPAIGN ON THUS FAR, MR. VERNON JORDAN, WILL BE OUR GUEST SPEAKER. THIS RALLY WILL BE HELD AT THE HAVEN METHODIST CHURCH. WE CAN HONESTLY SAY, YOU HAVE NEVER HEARD A BETTER SPEAKER. OF ALL THE PERSONS WHO HAVE SPOKEN TO US IN CLARKSDALE, NONE OF THEM CAN TOP MR. VERNON JORDAN. YOU ABSOULUTELY MUST HEAR HIM DISCUSS, "THE FUTURE, IN THE NAME OF FREEDOM."

We will now be expected to pick up the financial burden of the campaign ourselves as we strive to get the 8,000 unregistered Negroes to register. In order to do this we are asking every one to come to the rally prepared to make a contribution of $5.00 to help carry on this job that has to be done if we are ever to:

1. Elect Negroes to Public Office.

2. Stamp out police brutality and harrassment by the City Police Force.

3. Do away with segregation and discrimmination in every walk of life.

4. Secure employment for hundreds of jobless Negroes.

Please be present and on time. We will be thru at 4:30 P.M. in plenty of time for all of us to go out to Coahoma Junior Junior College for the Bacculaurate Services.

Please distribute among your workers the handbills included in this letter.

Yours truly,

James C. Gilliam, Chairman, Voter Registration Committee
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Aaron E. Henry, Branch President
Aaron E. Henry

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Coahoma County Branch NAACP
213 Fourth Street
Clarksdale, Miss.
May 24, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan
Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Avenue
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Friends:

Thanks, Vernon, for your coming to us on Sunday and seeing first hand some of the things we are trying to do. Your address was perfect and the audience ~~were~~ was grateful to you for coming. I am sorry that the nation takes up so much of your time or it would be possible to get you back again soon. I am looking forward to seeing you in Washington for the Conference on Civil Rights.

Thad, we cannot express our appreciation to you ~~m~~ enough. The patience that you had with us when we were so green and reporting seemed so far from what you would have it be.

I am enclosing a newspaper article which will describe our drive in better terms than I can. The number that was put on the book during our drive was 1,080. You will note that this upped our total figure to around the 7,000 mark which makes us about even with the white registration. This however leaves another 7,000 yet to go.

We still have a small balance of our grant left and we request permission to continue the drive until all is used up.

We do need more money to continue the job now. We realize that there are many other communities that you have not been able to get around to. We do ask you to look favorably upon us and as soon as possible permit us another grant sufficient to complete the job that has begun.

Again we say thank you and we do hope that you are pleased for having helped us.

Gratefully yours,

Coahoma County Branch NAACP:

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James C Gilliam Chairman, Committee on Registration and Voting

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Court Ruling Was Anticipated

3,800 Added To County's Voting Rolls

By CURTIS WILKIE
Press Register Staff Writer

Mississippi's law requiring prospective voters to be able to read and write was struck down over the weekend by a three-judge federal panel.

However, it will have little new effect in Coahoma County as Circuit Clerk J. W. Smith had been earlier directed to accept the names of persons certified by federal voting examiners.

Yet it will apparently require the circuit clerk himself to register illiterates—something state law had prevented him from doing before. Previously, illiterates were able only to register with the federal examiner.

In advance of the ruling, Smith received instructions from the state attorney general's office to accept names from the federal examiner.

Since that time, about a month ago, approximately 3,800 names—virtually all Negro, and including many illiterates not acceptable by state standards——registered by federal examiners here have been added to Coahoma County voting rolls.

The names had been kept off county rolls since last fall after the state requested and got a chancery court injunction preventing circuit clerks in several counties (with federal examiners) from placing these names on their lists.

The injunction was pending a court test of the legality of the federal examiners registering illiterates.

However, the state attorney general's office apparently saw the handwriting on the wall and directed the clerks to register these names prior to Saturday's decision by U.S. Judges John R. Brown of Houston, Tex., and Claude F. Clayton and Harold Cox, both of Mississippi.

The unanimous decision brought the state in line with the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

Mississippi had relaxed state voting requirements in 1965, but had retained a provision where prospective voters could not be registered if unable to fill out their own forms.

Smith said today that although he now accepted names from the federal examiners he still had received no directive yet to register illiterates himself.

He said that he has not registered anyone unable to fill out registration forms. But those unable to fill out forms were still able to register with the federal examiner.

Voting Rolls Now Total About 15,000

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Anti-U.S. Violence Erupts In Saigon

Killing Of Vietnamese Sparks Disorder

SAIGON (UPI) —The killing of a Vietnamese soldier by a bullet fired from a U.S. military gasoline truck—apparently by its Vietnamese driver—set off a wave of anti-American violence here today.

A Buddhist-led mob overturned and burned two American vehicles unconnected with the shooting, a military jeep and a civilian pickup truck, near the place where the soldier was killed. Americans riding in the two vehicles escaped injury.

American cars and trucks elsewhere in the city were stoned by Vietnamese teenagers, causing minor damage but no reported casualties.

Riot police supported by Vietnamese paratroopers and—for the first time—by Vietnamese marines beat back the youths they had battled for seven hours Sunday in the worst anti-government street battle yet reported here.

Six Houses Destroyed

In Cholon, Saigon's Chinatown, six houses were destroyed by the explosion of what may have been a factory or a storehouse for terrorist bombs. At least 10 persons were killed and 3 injured by the blast.

Police believed the explosion was accidental. No one living in any of the destroyed houses was known to have been an important member of any political faction.

The shooting of the Vietnamese soldier occurred in front of the Vien Hoa Dao pagoda, Saigon's principal Buddhist temple.

The gasoline truck was hit by a stone as it passed the pagoda, preceded by a jeep carrying Vietnamese officers. Either the driver of the truck or one of the officers in the jeep started shooting in the apparent belief the vehicles were being fired on.

Pins Down Gunman

The U.S. Mission here said the shots apparently were fired by the truck driver.

"No Americans were involved," a statement said.

A soldier identified as Pvt. Nguyen Van Ngoc, who was riding past on a bicycle, was mortally wounded by a bullet which passed through his body and slightly wounded a teen-age boy standing nearby.

The jeep and the truck sped away.

The Buddhists sent a message to U.S. Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge late today, asking him to determine the identity of the "murderer" and see that he is brought to trial.

Ky Forces Win At Da Nang

DA NANG (UPI) —The eight-day battle for Da Nang ended today in apparent victory for Premier Nguyen Cao Ky's government when rebel troops in the Tien Hoa pagoda surrendered and marched out with their hands up.

Among the last casualties of the battle were three newsmen who were slightly injured by a grenade as they left the pagoda Sunday night. They were AP correspondent Robert Poss, British free-lance photographer Timothy J. Page and Alain

Appeals Court To Hear Local School Case

Testimony Slated Wednesday

(Additional story on Page Nine)

The Clarksdale school desegregation case will be among 11 cases heard before the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans this week, with arguments pro and con on sweeping Justice Department proposals that could end all public school segregation in the Deep South by the fall of 1967.

The government wants the court to adopt Department of Health, Education and Welfare guidelines for school desegregation, which call for total integration by 1967.

A Step Further

The guidelines are not spelled out in the Civil Rights Act, and actually go beyond those specified in the act.

Eleven school boards in Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Georgia are defendants in the effort to speed up desegregation. Although all are desegre-

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This leaves about 8,000 names from the 15,000 total. From these there are duplications, and some on the rolls have died or moved without their name being stricken.

Interpretating these figures, it appears that there are probably a little more than 7,000 white voters and the same number of Negro voters in the county.

However, in all beats but Beat 4 (containing Clarksdale), the Negro registration is disporportionate.

However, the legislature has taken steps to make election of beat officials — members of the county school board and supervisors— on an "at-large" basis.

Miss USA Designated

MIAMI BEACH (UPI) —A California beauty will represent the United States against 60 foreign beauties in the Miss Universe Contest here in July.

Maria Jidith Reminyi, 21, once a foreigner herself, decked out in a form-fitting swim suit and a gold brocade gown Saturday night, won the Miss USA title before a national television audience.

The brown-haired, brown-eyed lass, who fled Hungary in 1956 with her family during the Hungarian revolution, thus became the first non-blonde to win the title in its five-year history.

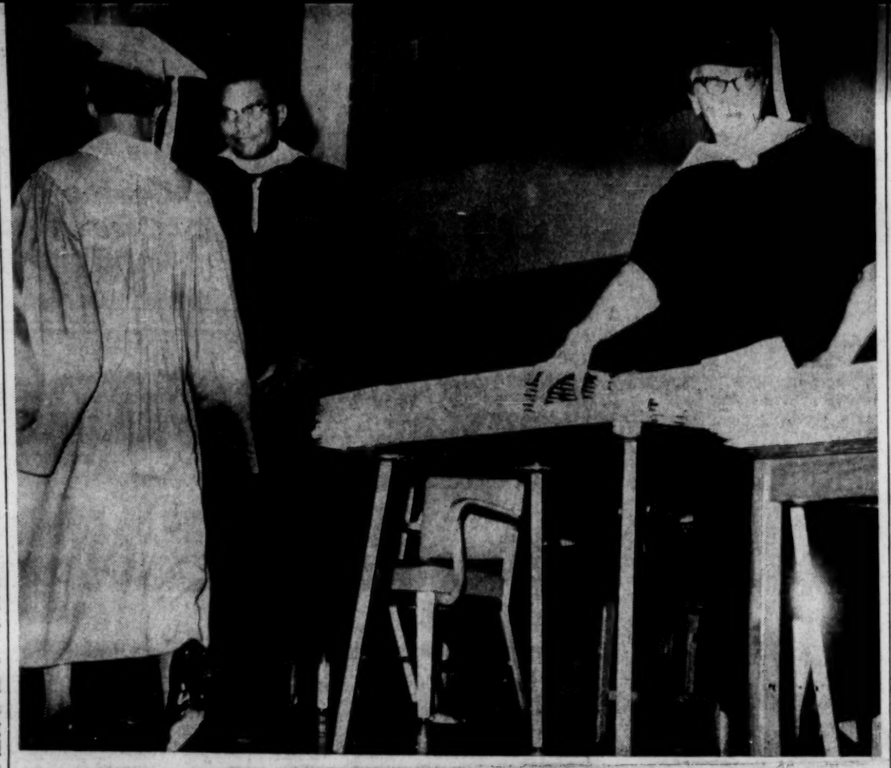
Maria, who was dry-eyed and regally composed about the whole thing —even when the gown and roses were presented to her —heads for New York Wednesday and will travel to Brazil before returning here to vie for the Miss Universe title.

Her victory assures her a place among the semi-finalists in the Miss Universe pageant.

FIRE BREAKS OUT

An electrical circuit shorting out in the attic of the home of Virgil Hall at 646 Sunflower forced Hall to call firemen to the scene about 7:50 p.m. Saturday. The short circuit caused no blaze.

The fire department reported that pennies were found behind the house's fuses, that firemen removed them and that the current to the house was cut off.



A LONG LINE of graduates received diplomas during commencement exercises at Coahoma Junior College and Coahoma Agricultural High School this morning. Dean Mary Whiteside and resigning President B. F McLaurin both (facing camera) presented the diplomas and congratulations to the graduates.

School Term Ends

378 Seniors Get Diplomas Today As Graduation Held At CJC-AHS

A total of 378 diplomas to graduates of both Coahoma Junior College and Coahoma Agricultural High School were passed out this morning at commencement exercises at the school.

Two hundred and seventeen graduated from CJC while 161 were awarded CAHS diplomas.

Dr. Ernest Smith, president of Rust College, was chief speaker.

Those receiving diplomas were:

Coahoma Junior College graduates:

Albernica Adams, Barbara Adams, Willie Eva Agnew, Anna Osborne Anderson, Mattye Ruth Anderson, Arma Jean Andrews, Ronald L. Austin.

Jimmie Earl Autmon, Ceola Banks, Barbara E. Barnett, Mary Elizabeth Barnett, Henry Steve Betts, Freddie Bradley, Theodora M. Breaux.

Nathaniel Brooks, Aristeen Brown, Beatrice Brown, Charlie Brown, Edgar Brown, James Everett Brown, John L. Brown.

Louise Brown, Minnie J. Bryant, Earl Leon Burney, Leon Burrell, Jesse Burton, Lula Mae Cain, Beatta Carson.

Florean Carter, Mattie P. Carter, Lee Roy Carter, Robert Carter, Mary M. Clark, Benjamin F. Cleveland, Dorothy Coleman.

Richard Collins, Solomon Collins, Bonnie Mae Conwell, Charles Cooper, David Costict, James Tilman Croft, Lula Mae Curry.

Barbara Ruth Curtis, Frankie R. Davis, Mattie Davis, Oscar Davis, Pauline Davis, Johnny Dillard, Fannie Bell Dixon.

Robert Dell Durr, Bennie Lee Earvin, Marion Juanita Eley, Rubye M. Ellis, Clotee Barron Epps, Louis Fairley, James Russell Figgs.

Roy Tom Flagg, Amos Lee Flowers, Malinda Tigue Ford, Barbara Jean Gates, Julia F. Gates, Robbie Lee Gibson, Brenda Joyce Grady.

Barbara Earl Gray, Irma Webb Green, Jimmy D. Greer, Murphy Raford Greer, Imogene Griffin, Queen Ester Griffin, Erma Ruth Hall.

Tommy Dean Halsell, John Edgar Hannah, Andrew Hardmon, William Henry Harrison, Marilyn M. Hatchett, Bessie Lee Henderson.

Cleotha Henderson, Jessie Mae Henderson, Walterene Henry, Mable Ann Herndon, Edith Hill, Jo Ann Hill, Dorothy M. Hinton.

Essie Marie Hodges, Eldridge Hollimon, Lucy Hutton, Dilcy Ann Ivy, Robert Jennings, Robert Johnson, Vallena Johnson.

Willard Johnson, Freddie Jones, Earnestine Jordan, Mary Alice Jordan, Roy Journigan, Jerdene Joyner, Joe Haywood Kelly.

Sallie M. King, Alfred Kinnard, Vera Elaine Kirkland, Verna Yvonne Kirkland, Judge H. Lee, Shirley Levy, Azria Lewers.

Arthur Myles Long, Marva Love, Lula Luckett, Violet Ma-

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Annual Awards Handed Out

Dick Van Dyke Show Wins Bevy Of Emmys

By VERNON SCOTT

HOLLYWOOD (UPI) —"The Dick Van Dyke show," which makes its final appearance Wednesday night, went out like a lion in Sunday night's television academy competition by winning three Emmy statuettes.

The show captured its fourth award as the best comedy series in five years on the tube. Van Dyke and co-star Mary Tyler Moore were honored as the best actor and actress in leading comedy roles.

Van Dyke's Emmy was his third in a row and Miss Moore's her second.

French actress Simone Signoret was named for the best single performance in a drama for "A Small Rebellion," a segment of the Bob Hope Theater, and Cliff Robertson got the male counterpart for his performance in "The Game," another Bob Hope Theater episode. Academy members named "The Fugitive," the story of an escaped convict unjustly accused of murder, as the best dramatic series of the year. It stars David Janssen.

Nationally Televised

The ceremonies were televised nationally, with Bill Cosby, an Emmy winner, acting as master of ceremonies in New York and Danny Kaye in Hollywood.

About 1,600 academy members, including stars, writers, directors and producers, gathered in the Hollywood Palladium, alongside most of the winners.

Van Dyke, whose show won a total of 16 Emmys in its five years on the air, appeared surprised at the show's continued success.

"I thought Don Adams would win," he said. "I hope the

(Continued on Page Twelve)

For The Record—

In Clarksdale, the water and light department recorded a high temperature of 87 degrees Saturday and a low of 68 **Saturday night. Sunday, a high of 90 degrees was recorded followed by a low of 70 last night. Rainfall totaling .72 inch fell between 7 a.m. Saturday and 7 a.m. Sunday; there was no rain between 7 a.m. Sunday and 7 a.m. today.**

Next 24 Hours—

Monday

7 p.m. — Clarksdale Construction Industries, Inc. at Ramon's.

7:30 p.m.—Board of Mayor and Commissioners at City Hall.

7:30 p.m. — BPOE 977 at Elks Home.

Tuesday

12:15 p.m. — Rotary Club at the Central Building.

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The Rev. Charles Ellis will deliver the invocation and the Rev. J. L. Perry will deliver the benediction.

Members of the Marks graduating class are:

Linda Jane Allen, Linda Lou Alston, Harriet Louise Butler, John Walter Cooper Jr., Vicki Jane Cunningham, Orville Alexander Davis III.

Patricia Ann Ford, Kelly Howell Gerrard Jr., Brenda Gleen Hales, Judy Carroll Hawkins, Jane Claire Henry, Virginia Ellen House.

Wayne Saunders House, Bedford Burt Jamison, Linda Joyce Keen, Jefferson Nicks Kimbro, Kathy Jean Koch, Charles Henry Lipson.

Larry Wayne Loftis, Carol Jean Massey, James Floyd McArthur Jr., Marion Aleece McKnight, Carolyn Ann Miller, Terry Allen Mills.

Clartis Eugene Mitchell, Charles Rivers Mitchell, Charles Russell Owen Jr., Janet Jaunise Parker, John Michael Pearson, Jeri Lou Pittman.

Iris Marie Regel, Joseph Carl Regel, Linda Delorese Roberson, James Ronald Roy, Vernon Scott Shelton, Audie Rex Turner Jr.

Susan Vincent, Algie Brent Wallace, James Edgar Waller, Peggy Jean Warbington, Carol Ann Watson, and Melvin Woodrow Woods Jr.

Negro Trusty Abandons Post

PARCHMAN — A Negro trusty, Samual Lockhart, walked from his guard post at Camp 2 about 3 a.m. Sunday, discarded his rifle and left the confinement of the Mississippi State Penitentiary at Parchman. He still is at large today.

Lockhart's escape wasn't discovered until a few hours later. About 25 search units made up of prison personnel and the highway patrol were immediately dispatched to the area east of the prison grounds where bloodhounds had tracked the escapee and lost his scent.

The search units have been cut to about five today, a prison spokesman reported. However, a prison official involved in the search said that the posse was literally leaving no stone unturned in their efforts to apprehend Lockhart.

Forecast—

Clear to partly cloudy tonight, becoming partly cloudy Tuesday with a chance of a few thundershowers chiefly in the afternoon or evening; low tonight 66 to 72.

agers, causing minor damage but no reported casualties.

Riot police supported by Vietnamese paratroopers and—for the first time—by Vietnamese marines beat back the youths they had battled for seven hours Sunday in the worst anti-government street battle yet reported here.

Six Houses Destroyed

In Cholon, Saigon's Chinatown, six houses were destroyed by the explosion of what may have been a factory

driver of the truck or one of the officers in the jeep started shooting in the apparent belief the vehicles were being fired on.

Pins Down Gunman

The U.S. Mission here said the shots apparently were fired by the truck driver.

"No Americans were involved," a statement said.

A soldier identified as Pvt. Nguyen Van Ngoc, who was riding past on a bicycle, was mortally wounded by a bullet

Ky Forces Win At Da Nang

DA NANG (UPI) —The eight-day battle for Da Nang ended today in apparent victory for Premier Nguyen Cao Ky's government when rebel troops in the Tien Hoa pagoda surrendered and marched out with their hands up.

Fighting in the last hours of the battle died away to almost nothing, although a grenade burst or the staccato ripple of a flurry of gunfire could still be heard from time to time.

Among the last casualties of the battle were three newsmen who were slightly injured by a grenade as they left the pagoda Sunday night. They were AP correspondent Robert Poss, British free-lance photographer Timothy J. Page and Alain Taieb of Paris Match.

UPI photographer Steve Van Meter, a former paratrooper, was blown off a wall by the blast but suffered no injuries.

Resistance at the pagoda—the main rebel fortress here—collapsed at 2 p.m. (2 a.m. EDT), four hours before the expiration of a surrender ultimatum handed to the insurgents by Ky's forces.

Barely an hour earlier, this correspondent sat at tea in the pagoda with Minh Chieu, a Buddhist monk who vowed that the rebels would fight to the last man.

"Nobody is going to leave the pagoda," Chieu said.

Military police who searched the building after the surrender found no trace of Chieu or of the rebel military commander.

Wood which the monks had stacked in the temple courtyard, vowing that they would burn themselves to death if government troops attacked, stood abandoned and unburned in the yard.

Although Da Nang appeared to be firmly in the hands of Ky's forces, rebels still held the city of Hue, 60 miles to the northwest. Government forces have made no attempt so far to subdue the insurgents there.

The pagoda here had been surrounded by government forces for several days. Although there was often heavy fighting in the area around the temple, the building itself suffered little damage.

'Head Start' Funds Face Sizable Cut

County Unit To Get Less

A Head Start proposal for Coahoma County this summer seeking a $600,000 federal grant for financing has been returned to the applicant agency, Coahoma Opportunities, Inc., with instructions to slash the request by half.

According to COI director Gus Roessler, Coahoma County stands to receive a maximum allocation for Head Start this year of about $341,000.

This represents a decrease from last year's grants totaling approximately $420,000 for two Head Start programs in the county. Neither of the two organizations which administered Head Start here last summer are applying for funds this year.

The Southern Educational

(Continued on Page Twelve)

Session Opens June 9

Local Exchange Club Names Convention Team

Morris O. Dallas and Buddy Brocato will represent the Exchange Club of Clarksdale at the annual 46th annual convention of the Mississippi State Exchange Clubs meeting June 9-11 at the Buena Vista Beach Hotel and Motel in Biloxi.

Also attending the annual affair will be Clarksdale Exchangites Elzy Smith and Leland Gough.

Principal speaker for the three-day affair will be James M. Beckett of Mission, Kans., president of the National Exchange Club.

Joining Exchange in 1943 at Kansas City, Mo., Beckett is a charter member and past president of the Exchange Club of Northeast Johnson County, Kansas. Nationally, he has served Exchange as a district governor, national regional vice-president, member of the Commerce and Industry Study Panel of the National Committee on Education, member of the National Board of Directors, and national vice-president. Beckett has also held many offices and chairmanships at the local and state levels.

A construction engineer, Beckett is owner of the Beckett Erection Co. Civic activities include several years service on the advisory board of the local Order of Bellringers of the Salvation Army, and volunteer counsel and advisor for the inmates of Lansing State Prison, Lansing, Kansas.

Homer Edgeworth of Jackson, state Exchange president, will preside over the three-day affair.

School Case

Testimony Slated Wednesday

(Additional story on Page Nine)

The Clarksdale school desegregation case will be among 11 cases heard before the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans this week, with arguments pro and con on sweeping Justice Department proposals that could end all public school segregation in the Deep South by the fall of 1967.

The government wants the court to adopt Department of Health, Education and Welfare guidelines for school desegregation, which call for total integration by 1967.

A Step Further

The guidelines are not spelled out in the Civil Rights Act, and actually go beyond those specified in the act.

Eleven school boards in Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Georgia are defendants in the effort to speed up desegregation. Although all are desegregated or under court order to do so, government attorneys and Negroes are not satisfied with the pace.

Clarksdale is the only Mississippi district included in the hearing. Its case will be heard Wednesday.

Under Court Order

The city school district has been under court-ordered desegregation since September 1964. However, only two Negro eleventh-graders presently attend previously all-white schools and no whites attend formerly Negro schools.

Besides attacking school zones here, which Negroes contend maintain segregation, the lawsuit seeks the enforcement of the new and more stringent HEW guidelines, which include integration of faculty.

Because the Clarksdale district is under court order already, the local board has not been required to sign compliance papers with HEW.

Taxes, Fees On Liquor To Be Argued

JACKSON, Miss. (UPI)—The Mississippi legislature today faced the duty of placing of taxes and fees on liquor under the local-option plan signed into law Saturday.

Legislative sources said a tax bill would be designed to keep the tax income on legal liquor at the same level as it has been under the "black market" prohibition tax.

At present, Mississippi is the only state with a prohibition law, but for years the state has licensed and collected fees from liquor wholesalers.

Vandals Strike At Local School

Sometime Saturday night vandals pulled out all the wiring of a mowing tractor on the campus of Clarksdale High School, broke the pump nozzle on a gasoline tank and emptied 25 gallons onto the ground, and cut the rubber weather strip from a school bus door.

W. P. Cox, director of maintenance at the school, reported the vandalism to the police about 1:45 p.m. Sunday.

Clarksdale High School principal Frank Lovell also said that a few windows on the west side of the building were broken out.

June 13, 1966

First National Bank of Clarksdale
Clarksdale, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $389.95. to be deposited to the account of the Coahoma County Voter Education Campaign. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeu Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

Encls:

cc: Mr. Cleo Jackson

June 13, 1966

Mr. Cleo Jackson
213 Foruth Street
Clarksdale, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Jackson:

Enclosed are the following, a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited to your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

This is the final installment on your VEP Grant.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

December 12, 1966

Mr. Aaron Henry
213 4th Street
Clarksdale, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Henry:

I am pleased to encklose a copy of our report on the Negro vote in the South.

Thank you for your help in gathering the information. I would appreciate any comments that you might have about the report.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

December 20, 1966

Mr. Cleo Jackson
213 Fourth Street
Clarksdale, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Jackson:

We are in receipt of the statement of the Coahoma County NAACP Branch from the First National Bank of Clarksdale.

In order to reconcile your bank statement, we are enclosing a weekly report form for you to itemize, with necessary vouchers the disbursement on November 10 for $283.24 for the "Get Out the Vote Campaign".

Your immediate attention to this matter will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO/pf

Coahoma County Branch NAACP
Voter Registration Campaign
213 Fourth Street
Clarksdale, Miss.

Mr. Thaddeus Olive Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Ave
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

I am sorry that I did not get around to making this report before you had to ask for it. But such is life.

At the close of May, 1966 we recieved permission to continue our Voter Registration campaign until all funds were exhausted. We made a decision to continue the campaign voluntarily and without expenses being allowed until the time to vote came during the month of November 1966. We had registered quite a few persons and had no forseeable funds to continue the campaign thru the time to vote.

All campaign workers agreed to hand out voter registration leaflets continuously. We were fortunate that all we had to purchase in this regards was the paper. We had friends in the pringing and mimeographing endeavor that did this service as their contribution to the campaign and freedoms struggle. From the time that we made our last report which was around June 1, 1966 wepurchased paper and printing from the Clarksdale Printing Company in the Amount of $117.00. In hauling persons to the office to register and to the polls to vote on November 7, 1966 we opened an account with Little Willies Garage to supply gas for the cars used in the Campaign. No other expenses were given the owners of the cars except gas. This amount came to $97.15.

It was necessary to handle much of the continuous campaign by mail. We ran up apostage bill of$143.09. This over spent our grant by $100.00 and we had to call upon the community to help out with this postage expense and other facets of the campaign that has never stopped. When will it be appreiate for the Voter Education Project to assist us again in trying to get the total job of registration done and help out with voter education?

Again we say thank you for your assistance in the job we are still trying to do. With your help the voter registration list has risen from around 1000 when we began the campaign to now over seven thousand approaching eight thousand.

Cleo Jackson

Thanks again, Yours truly, Cleo Jackson, Project Director

Incl: Receipt, Clarksdale Printing Co. $117.00
Receipt, Little Willies Garage 97.15

Coahoma County Progressive Voters League
410 Harrison Avenue
Clarksdale, Mississippi

Dear Political Leader:

The Coahoma County Progressive Voters League last meeting before June 7th election is being held Thursday May 26, 1966 at 8:00 P.M. in Haven Methodist Church, Clarksdale, Mississippi.

We have good reason to believe that both, Mr. Brocato and Judge ED Green will be present at the meeting, come and hear them for yourself.

You and every person on your block, on your street, on your plantation, or in your community must be present. Please do your best to see that you and they are present.

Yours truly,

R L Drew
R. L. Drew, Chairman

H. Y. Hackett
H. Y. Hackett, Asst. Treasurer

J. N. Richardson
J. N. Richardson, Vice Chairman

M. J. McMillian
M. J. McMillian, Treas.

Alice Green
Mrs. Alice Green, Secretary

Bennie Gooden
Bennie Gooden, Asst. Secretary

Aaron E. Henry
Aaron E. Henry, Coordinator

Forrest County Branch NAACP
428½ E. 7th Street
Hattiesburg, Mississippi 39401

POST

March 4, 1966

Rec'd
3-16-66

Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is the Forrest County Branch of the N.A.A.C.P.'s grant proposal for a Voter Registration grant.

We trust that all questions are answered adequately.

Thank you.

Yours truly,

J. C. Fairley

J. C. Fairley, President
Forrest County Branch NAACP

JCF/dlw

428½ E. 7th St.
Hattiesburg, Miss.

Kind of Program:

The Forrest County Branch of the N.A.A.C.P. would like a grant to conduct a voters registration campaign.

The reason for wanting to conduct a campaign, we have less than 50 percent of the Negro population registered to vote, out of the 8000 eligible Negroes in Forrest County.

We would like to have at least 85 percent or approximately 6500 registered.

The methods we intend to use is door to door canvassing, telephone committees and transportation.

Where:

The area of Forrest County.

Who:

We will need a County Coordinator to coordinate voters activities within Forrest County. Seven Task Force Assistants. Their duties are to assist the County Coordinator to carry out activities in all precincts. We need twenty (20) Task Force workers to do door to door canvassing. We need a secretary for the office. Duties of a Coordinator would be:

1. To implement a program on voter registration in Forrest County.
2. Supervise and coordinate voter registration activities in the five beats in the counties.
3. To supervise and coordinate the activities of the assistants and task force workers assigned in the project.
4. Plan basic programs or projects. Scheldue staff conferences as well as maintain weekly written reports of the task force assistants and task force workers. These reports will serve as a semi-monthly report to the Regional Office.
5. Maintain accurate voter registration statistics during the projects.
6. Prepare and distribute materials for the campaign in the county.

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Cost:

County Coordinator.....	$ 60.00
Seven task force assistants.....	@ 35.00
Twenty task force workers.....	@ 25.00
Secretary.....	35.00
Transportation.....	50.00
Supplies.....	50.00

Time:

We would like for the campaign to last two (2) months.

Background:

The political picture of Forrest County prior to January 1966, was very much unfavorable, but due to the activity of the voter registration drive which has been in operation the past six (6) weeks, this picture has changed. Since we have conducted a six week voter registration drive, we have seen a gradual change in the political picture which is evidence to believe it will continue to change in proportion as Negroes become eligible voters.

Approximately 500 Negroes voted in the last election. No Negroes have run for office. No Negroes hold oppointive jobs. There are active organizations. Dates and hours for registration are Monday through Friday, 9:00 A. M. to 12. From 1:00 P. M. to 5:00 P. M. Saturday, 9:00 A. M. to 12. We have about 3,200 Negroes registered. The feeling of the people is favorable toward the program, but due to past harrassments and intimidations they have been somewhat reluctant to respond.

Forrest County Branch
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

522 Mobile St. -:- Phone 583-3271

HATTIESBURG, MISSISSIPPI 39401

Mr. J. C. Fairley, Pres.

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March 14, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan
5. Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan:

A few days pass, I was absent from my office due to an automobile accident. During my absent I understand a request for a grant for Voter Registration purpose was submitted to your office by our State Coordinator.

I also understand that the total amount was very unfavorable, and I was requested to submitt another one.

Inclose you will find a Proposed Budget figured at the minimum rate of cost

Sincerely Yours,

Mr. J. C. Fairley

cc: Mr. Gloster Current.
Mr. Charles Evers.
Mrs Ruby Hurley.
Mrs Althea T. L. Simmons.
Mr. W. C. Patton.

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT (NAACP)

PROPOSED BUDGET

PERIOD 60 Days

Place: Hattiesburg, Mississippi Date: March 14, 1966

The Forrest County Chapter of The N.A.A.C.P.

Salaries - Professional	$1,000
Clerical	$240.00
Travel	
Transportation	$500.00
Office Rent	$50.00
Tele.& Tele.	$50.00
Publicity & Promotion	$50.00
Office Supplies	$75.00
Printing Supplies	$60.00
Furniture & Fixtures	$25.00
General (Lump Sums)	$150.00
Postage	$25.00
Total	$2,265.00

Submitted by M J C. Smiley Pres.

AC 601
583-2336 Home

TO
VEP-16

[582-5116]

SOUTH

Dr. C. E. Smith
Home 582-2148

March 24, 1966

Office 584-7528

Mr. J. C. Fairley
President
Forrest County Branch, NAACP
428½ E. 7th Street
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Fairley:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Forrest County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Forrest County, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $900.00 for a five week period to run from April 4 to May 2, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to a five week period subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Co-ordinator	@ $50.00 per week	$ 250.00
b)	Secretary	@ $35.00 " "	175.00
c)	Task Force Workers (5)	@ $10.00 " "	250.00
d)	Transportation		150.00
e)	Supplies		50.00
f)	Postage		25.00
			$ 900.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program, a copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Mrs. Barbara Patterson, will write you regarding futther special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

March 15, 1966

Memorandum

TO: Mr. J. C. Fairley

FROM: W. C. Patton

Thanks for your letter and a copy of the budget and committees which you have submitted and requesting a grant for your Voter Registration Program. I would appreciate also receiving a copy of your proposal in which you included some of the historic facts and other data relative to your county. This will help greatly in completing the file which we have set up in our office on your program.

In the future, it will not be necessary to send copies of your communications relative to your project to anyone except Mr. Evers and myself.

The budget submitted is a reasonable one and one which I believe will get the approval of the Voter Education Project.

INTRA-OFFICE USE ONLY

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

~~Wiley A. Branton,~~ Project Director

March 17, 1966

Mr. J. C. Fairley
President
Forrest County NAACP

VEP 66-16
REPORT DUE
MONDAY

Budget Revision 5~~6~~ week program
April 4, to May 2, 1966

Co-ordinator @ $50. per week	$250.00	
Secretary @ $35. per week	175.00	
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VEP-16

March 24, 1966

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President
Forrest County Branch, NAACP
428½ E. 7th Street
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

March 30, 1966

Mr. J.C. Fairley
President
Forrest County Branch, NAACP
428½ E 7th Street
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Fairley:

With the very obvious success of your grant approval still reverberating, I am sure that mundane matters such as fiscal reporting is far from your mind at the moment. However, in order that your program may begin on April 4, 1966, we will need the signature cards, name and address of the bank, and a supply of deposit slips.

May we have these, at your earliest convenience, so that funding of your program can begin.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

TO:hjo

Forrest County Branch
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

522 Mobile St. -:- Phone 583-3271

HATTIESBURG, MISSISSIPPI 39401

Mr. J. C. Fairley, Pres.

March 31, 1966

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APR 1 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan Jr.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Thank you for your letter of March 24,1966. We appreciate very much the approval of the grant to assist us in our Voter Registration Drive.

You requested of us to began our drive April 4,1966. At this point we ar asking a two weeks delay in the starting date, due to the fact we are in the process of obtaining a Federal Exanimer in Forrest County.

The situation here in Foreest County is that we have approxmately 4,500 un-registed Negroes. One of our greatest problem is that our Circuit Clerk, Mr. Theron C. Lynd is still useing that long blank or form to register people with. Our Register, Mr. Lynd has been convicted twice in Federal court for discrimatory practice against Negroes in Forrest County. Alone with useing the long form, Mr. Lynd has two deputy clerks, and closes his office from 12: to 1 each noonday of the week, and will not register any one on Saturday. Also he refuses to register any body that cannot read or write, which is against the law. So, for this reason we are asking a two weeks delay in this matter, and we are asking you to do whatever you can in helping to get a Federal Register in Forrest County.

Sincerely yours,

J. C. Fairley

Mr. J. C. Fairley

JCF:sp
cc: Mr. Gloster Current
Mr. Charles Evers
Mrs Ruby Hurley
Mrs S. L. Simmons

Forrest County Branch
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

522 Mobile St. -:- Phone 583-3271

HATTIESBURG, MISSISSIPPI 39401

Mr. J. C. Fairley, Pres.

April 7, 1966

Mr. Thoddeus Oliver
5 Forsyth Street N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Oliver:

Thank yo u for your lette r of March 30, 1966. The reason for a delay in sending you the material and information, was due to fact a request had been for a two weeks delay in the starting date.

Inclose is a copy of the letter of request alone with the material you ask for.

Sincerely yo urs,

J. C. Fairley

FJC:sp

ps. Please return two of the sign cards to the bank.

April 13, 1966

Mr. J. C. Fairley
President
Forrest County Branch, NAACP
428½ E. 7th Street
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Fairley:

In response to your letter of March 31, requesting a delay in "kicking off" your voter registration campaign, please be informed that this is definitely all right with us.

We understand the difficulty you are having with the Forrest County registrars. Roy Wilkins and I had a brief conversation with the U.S. Attorney General, Mr. Katzenbach, concerning the need for federal examiners in Forrest County. As a result of our conversation with him, I feel sure Forrest County will be assigned federal examiners in the very near future. It makes sense then to delay your registration program until that time.

Thank you very much for your letter and your continued interest in voter registration.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

April 14, 1966

Mr. J. C. Fairley
President
Forrest County Branch, NAACP
428½ E. 7th Street
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

RE: VEP 6-16

Dear Mr. Fairley:

In his letter to you of March 24, 1966 Vernon Jordan mentioned the research reports the Voter Education Project will require of the Forrest County Branch, NAACP, under the terms of your grant to conduct voter registration.

I am enclosing with this letter a copy of the form which we wish your office to fill in and return to us twice a month. Please do not send us forms filled out by several voter registration workers covering different times worked. Instead, we suggest that one of project personnel collect from the workers their records of persons reached by canvass, taken to register, etc., and total them onnone sheet to be sent to us. A supply of these forms is being sent to you under separate cover for use by workers in the field. It is of vital importance that the figures submitted to us be actual numerical count and not estimates.

Inasmuch as your program has been operative for almost two weeks it would be helpful if we could have the first of these forms as soon as possible and the second form may be sent at the conclusion of the program, about May 3.

Also at the conclusion of this month-long program we require a narrative report which will outline your methods and evaluate their success. It might be useful to think of this as an intelligence report to VEP on the overall situation in Forrest County. As complete a report as you are able to present will enable you and VEP to plan well for the future. We trust also that you will provide us with samples of any printed materials used.

Best wishes for your success. We look forward to your reports.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Barbara Patterson
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

BP:hjo
Enclosure (1)

Forrest County Branch
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

522 Mobile St. -:- Phone 583-3271

HATTIESBURG, MISSISSIPPI 39401

Mr. J. C. Fairley, Pres.

April 21, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordon, Jr.
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordon:

Thank you for granting our request for a delay in the start of our voter registration project. We've sent a letter to Mrs. Barbara Patterson, informing her of same.

In view of the prospects for a federal examiner here, and because we want to comply fully with VEP guidelines, this delay is necessary.

As soon as we are ready to begin we will let you know.

Sincerely,

J. C. Fairley

J. C. Fairley
President, Forrest County Branch
of NAACP

August 2, 1966

Mr. J. C. Fairley
President
Forrest County Branch, NAACP
428½ 7th St.
Hattisburg, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Fairley:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Citizens Bank of Hattisburg, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encl:

August 2, 1966

The Citizens Bank of Hattisburg
Hattisburg, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $300.00 to be deposited to the account of the Forrest County Voter Registration Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:
cc: Mr. J. C. Fairley

CITIZENS BANK
OF HATTIESBURG
MEMBER FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

HATTIESBURG, MISS.
August 4, 1966

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Gentlemen:

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 2, 1966, with enclosures. As requested, your check in the amount of $300.00 has been credited to the account of the Forrest County Voter Registration Project, and your receipt is returned herewith.

Thanking you, we are

Yours very truly,

J. N. Wright
Assistant Vice President

JNW:sls

Enc.

TO

Forest County Voter Registration Project
428½ East 7th Street
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

August 24, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordon
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Sir:

Here is a financial statement for the past two and one-half weeks of our operation. A complete report of our operation thus far is coming under another letter.

Please send more forms and redeposit the money as soon as feasible. Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

Cleveland Donald, Jr.

Cleveland Donald, Jr.
Director

August 29, 1966

Mr. Cleveland Donald, Jr.
Director
Forest County Voter Registration Project
428½ East 7th St.
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Donald:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your first weekly report. Our Reporting Requirements for Recipient Organizations require that cash expenditures should be kept to a minimum and when they are made are to be supported by vouchers with receipts and/or invoices attached. I am returning your report for this information. Enclosed is a copy of our Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations, please read, and have other members of your organization to read also.

May we have this information, at your earliest possible convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

cc: Mr. W. C. Patton
Mr. J. C. Fairley

August 31, 1966

Mr. Cleveland Donald, Jr.
Director
Forrest County Voter Registration
Project
428½ East 7th St.
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Donald:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 31, 1966

The Citizens Bank of Hattiesburg
Hattiesburg
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $300.00 to be deposited to the account of the Forrest County Voters Registration Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

Forrest County Voter Registration Project
428½ East 7th Street
Hattiesburg, Mississippi
September 2, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Thank you for the guidelines concerning Reporting Requirements for Recipient Organizations. I hope this report sufficiently meets the criteria set by you.

As you know the grant under which we operate provides for a director, at $50 per week, a secretary, at $35 per week, five task force workers, at $10 each per week, $150 for transportation, $50 for supplies, and $35 for postage. However, when I received the budget, ten task force workers had been hired under the assumption that they were provided for in the grant. Therefore, to avoid the embarrassment of releasing five of the workers and to fully utilize all available human resource, it was decided that the workers would work for noon lunches, figured at the cost of $.78 per person each day, and for the secretary's salary to be divided among them at the end of the program. The money alloted to pay the workers would be used to pay for the lunches. No secretary has been hired and each worker has from time to time served in that capacity. Furthermore, the number of workers has not been rigid.

The first three reports are as follows:

1) Week ending August 4-6, 1966

a) Workers	$40.00	
b) Director	20.00	
c) Supplies	10.00	($6.11 spent leaving a balance of $3.99)
d) Transportation	5.00	
	$75.00	(total)

2) Week ending August 8-13, 1966

a) Food for workers	$56.00	
b) Director	25.00	
c) Transportation	17.75	
	$98.75	(total)

3) Week ending August 15-20, 1966

a) Food for workers	$21.84	
b) Director	50.00	
c) Transportation	~~6.00~~ 5.50	
d) Supplies	6.00	(when added to the first week's balance, totaled $9.99)
	~~$83.84~~ 83.34	

The total disbursements for the first three reports were $257.09. This leaves us with a total balance for the program of $642.91. MOnies spent under each item of the budget during the period were as follows:

1) Director	$ 95.00	
2) Workers	117.84	
3) Transportation	28.25	
4) Supplies	16.00	
5) Postage	00.00	
6) Secretary	00.00	
	$257.09	(total)

Appropriate vouchers and receipts are also enclosed.

Sincerely,

Cleveland Donald, Jr.

Cleveland Donald, Jr.
Director

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SEP 12 1966

Forrest County Voter Registration Project
428½ East 7th Street
Hattiesburg, Mississippi
September 8, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed are the forth and fifth financial statements of our voter registration drive. You will see that the workers were give some spending money. However, this only slightly exceeded the difference between the amount of money alloted for food, ie, the pay set aside for the five task force workers, and the amount actually spent.

The reports are as follows:

1) Week ending August 20, 22-26, 1966

a)Workers		
(1)food	$27.36	
(2)spending change	25.00	
b)Transportation	12.25	
c)Director	25.00	
d)Supplies	00.00	(there was a previous balance of $9.99 of which $5.81 was spent. leaving balance of $ 4.18.)
	$89.65	(total)

2) Week ending August 27, 29- September 3, 1966

a)Workers		
(1)food	$27.30	
(2)spending change	25.50	
b)Transportation	12.00	
c)Director	25.00	
d)Supplies	00.00	(was a previous balance of $4.18 but $7.94 was spent, leaving -$3.76.)
	$89.80	(total)

With the forth and fifth reports, the total monies spent thus far in the voter registration drive is as follows:

1) Director	$145.00
2) Workers	222.99
3) Transportation	52.50
4) Supplies	16.00
5) Postage	00.00
6) Secretary	00.00
	$435.99 (total)

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Cleveland Donald, Jr.

Cleveland Donald, Jr.
Director

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Forrest County Voter Registration Project
428½ East 7th Street
Hattiesburg, Mississippi
September 9, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

The final financial statement of the Forrest County Voter Registration project which ended September 8, 1966, is as follows:

1) Week ending September 3, 5-8, 1966

a) Director	$ 25.00
b) Transportation	5.50
c) Supplies	6.00
(from the last report there was a -$3.76 to be added to the $6.00. The balance would be $2.24. Receipts are enclosed totaling $3.72 and leaving a balance of -$1.48.)	
	$36.50

The total expenditures for the entire program thus far is as follows:

1) Director	$170.00
2) Workers	222.99
3) Transportation	58.00
4) Supplies	22.00
5) Postage	00.00
6) Secretary	00.00
	$472.99 (total)

As you knew, the workers had agreed to divide the secretary salary between them at the end of the program. Also, the director must still receive $80. Therefore, $255.00 must still be paid out. However, we have a bank balance at this time of $~~168.56~~ 127.94. I am requesting that ~~$88.44~~ 127.94 and a small amount to cover banking fees be redeposited to pay the director and the workers. Thus, at the end of the program we will have spent $727. 99 of our $900.00 budget. We are returning $172.01 to you, and we will have registered 350 new voters at the cost of $2.079 per person.

(127.94)

A final itemization of our disbursements is as follows:

1) Director	$250.00	
2) Workers	222.99	
3) Transportation	58.00	
4) Supplies	22.00	
5) Postage	00.00	
6) Secretary	175.00	
	$727.99	(total)

A detailed report of our activities is coming under seperate cover.

Sincerely,

Cleveland Donald, Jr.

Cleveland Donald, Jr.
Director

September 21, 1966

Mr. Cleveland Donald, Jr.
Director
Forrest County Voter Registration Project
428½ East 7th St.
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Donald:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 21, 1966

The Citizens Bank of Hattiesburg
Hattiesburg
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $300.00 to be deposited to the account of the Forrest County Voters Registration Project. Alos enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

FELIX H. DUNN, M. D.
19th STREET at 38th AVENUE
GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI

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5/20/66

Dear Vernon,

I am glad to have an opportunity to work with you in your new field. We have conducted 4 "volunteer worker" campaigns in Harrison County since my presidency of NAACP which had resulted in our having the percentage in the State. However, I feel that the last two campaigns have been less successful than previous ones.

We asked this young college woman to work up a realistic program comparable to Coahoma County. The pay to workers is higher but to get any type of interest in work here requires some added incentive.

FELIX H. DUNN, M. D.
19th STREET at 38th AVENUE
GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI

Frankly, I donot expect dra-
matic results here for we have
registered large numbers of Whites.
We feel there is still a large number
who need concentrated follow up to
get them to the polls.

I'll hope to see you next
week. My family and I shall
arrive in Atlanta on 5/29/66
after 6 PM at Howard Johnson, (South)
We are attending the Dodgers' series
on Monday and Tuesday. Warnecke
got my reservations and tickets. He
may be out of town while we are
there. If anything is going on let me
know. My wife loves parties and other
bullshit; I love poker and any other
action. The best from us to you and
yours

Felix

Gulfport Branch NAACP
2418 34th Avenue
Gulfport, Mississippi

Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director
Voter Educational Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

We recieved guidelines for a voter registration project and hereby request funds for a similar program in Harrison County.

We would like to conduct a 10-week campaign program, with the following suggested budget. We feel that the suggested salaries are minimal to get satisfactory workers and results.

1. Coordinator	(1) @ $50.00/wk	$500.00
2. Workers -- 5 teams of 2	@ $30.00/wk	$3000.00
3. Driver & Car	(1) @ $60.00/wk	$600.00
4. Stationery		
5. Postage		50.00
6. Rent		
7. Telephone		
	T O T A L	$4150.00

Respectfully submitted,

Issie L. Zanders

(Miss) Issie L. Zanders

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July 26, 1966

Dr. Felix H. Dunn
President
Gulfport Branch, NAACP
19th Street at 38th Avenue
Gulfport, Mississippi

Dear Dr. Dunn:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Gulfport Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Gulfport, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,278.00 for an eight week period, to run from August 1 to September 23, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary	$ 200.00
b)	(5) Task Force Workers (@ $15.00 per week)	600.00
c)	Transportation	250.00
d)	Supplies and Materials	75.00
e)	Telephone	50.00
f)	Rent	100.00
		$1,275.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Wednesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your Projectshould read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

cc: Mr. Charles Evers

July 27, 1966

Mr. Felix H. Dunn
President
Gulfport Branch, NAACP
19th Street at 38th Ave.
Gulfport, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Dunn:

In his letter of July 26, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings held, people contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registerd," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you undersseperate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program begins August 1, we will need reports from you on August 15, August 29, September 12 and September 29.

In addition, we will need two narrative reports from you--one on August 31 and the other on September 28, after your program has been completed. These longer reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

2203-29th Avenue
Gulfport, Mississippi
August 5, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordon
5 Forsyth North West
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

The bank, that will be used by the Voter Rigestration Campaign in Harrison County is:

Handcock Bank
25th Avenue & 14th Street
Gulfport, Mississippi

Enclosed are ten (10) deposit slips and two (2) signature slips, signed by the treasure and chairman.

An immediate reply will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Garnetta Lyons

Garnetta Lyons
Director

Enclosure

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August 9, 1966

Mr. Felix H. Dunn
President
Gulfport Branch, NAACP
19th Street at 38th Avenue
Gulfport, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Dunn:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Hancock Bank, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Tood luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 9, 1966

Hancock Bank
25th Avenue and 14th St.
Gulfport, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $318.74 to be deposited to the account of the Gulfport Branch, NAACP Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Felix H. Dunn

August 16, 1966

Mr. Felix H. Dunn
President
Gulfport Branch, NAACP
19th Street at 38th Avenue
Gulfport, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Dunn:

Enclosed is a copy of your Account Number Reference Card, and some checks that were forwarded to your office.

We are looking forward to great things from Gulfport.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 16, 1966

Mr. Felix H. Dunn
President
Gulfport Branch, NAACP
19th Street at 38th Avenue
Gulfport, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Dunn:

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Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE
TWENTY WEST FORTIETH STREET • NEW YORK, N. Y. 10018 • BRyant 9-1400
Please direct reply to:
W. C. Patton, Associate Director
Voter Education
1630 NORTH FOURTH AVENUE
ROOM 407
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA 35203
PHONE 322-0708

SEPTEMBER 9, 1966

MEMORANDUM

RECEIVED
SEP 13 1966

TO: MR. VERNON JORDAN

FROM: W. C. PATTON

ATTACHED IS COPIES OF SOME CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN MY OFFICE AND MISS GARNETTA LYONS, DIRECTOR OF THE GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI PROJECT. Project file

THEY ARE SELF-EXPLANATORY.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE
TWENTY WEST FORTIETH STREET • NEW YORK, N. Y. 10018 • BRyant 9-1400

Please direct reply to:
W. C. Patton
Associate Director
Voter Registration

1630 NORTH FOURTH AVENUE
ROOM 407
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
PHONE 322-0708

SEPTEMBER 9, 1966

MISS GARNETTA LYONS
2223 - 29TH AVENUE
GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI

DEAR MISS LYONS:

THIS IS TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF YOUR LETTER OF SEPTEMBER 8 IN WHICH YOU LISTED TEN WORKERS IN THE VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT WHICH GIVES ME GREAT CONCERN, THE FACT THAT EACH OF THESE PERSONS MADE THE SAME NUMBER OF CONTACTS. SEVENTY-SIX CONTACTS IS A VERY SMALL NUMBER FOR EACH OF THEM COVERING A THREE OR FOUR WEEK PERIOD. IF YOUR REPORT IS CORRECT, IT WOULD APPEAR TO ME THAT THE STUDENTS IS ALREADY ADEQUATELY PAID FOR THE WORK THAT THEY HAVE DONE.

I AM SUGGESTING THAT YOU HOLD EVERYTHING IN ABEYANCE UNTIL I CAN GET THERE FOR A CONFERENCE WITH THE CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE. IN OTHER WORDS, SINCE THESE STUDENTS WILL BE RETURNING TO SCHOOL, DO NOT ATTEMPT TO EMPLOY ANYBODY ELSE UNTIL AFTER OUR CONFERENCE.

YOURS TRULY,

W. C. PATTON

WCP/LW

CC: MR. VERNON JORDAN

2223-29th Avenue
Gulfport, Mississippi
September 7, 1966

Mr. W. C. Patton, Associate Director
Voter Education
1630 North Fourth Avenue
Birmingham, Alabama 35203

Dear Sir:

The Voter Education Project of Harrison County has contacted 760 person's, but only 70 of these people have been registered.

Listed below are the workers and number of person's contacted by each:

1.	Evelyn Moody	76
2.	Joan Clark	76
3.	Olive Hendricks	76
4.	Mary Zanders	76
5.	Joan Gibson	76
6.	Loretta Lee	76
7.	Arretta Hagens	76
8.	Gertrude Holmes	76
9.	Jean Guillotte	76
10.	Betty Parker	76

The workers are paid $15.00 per week and the Director is paid $25.00. The driver is also paid $25.00 per week.

Sincerely yours,

Garnetta Lyons

Garnetta Lyons

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE
TWENTY WEST FORTIETH STREET • NEW YORK, N. Y. 10018 • BRyant 9-1400
Please direct reply to:
W. C. Patton, Associate Director
Voter Education
1630 NORTH FOURTH AVENUE
ROOM 407
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA 35203
PHONE 322-0708

SEPTEMBER 15, 1966

RECEIVED
SEP 16 1966

MR. VERNON JORDAN
5 FORSYTH STREET, N.W.
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

DEAR MR. JORDAN:

AS PER MY AGREEMENT, I WENT TO GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI AND HAD A CONFERENCE WITH DR. FELIX H. DUNN AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE TO DISCOVER THAT THE GROUP EMPLOYED SOME TEN OR MORE COLLEGE STUDENTS AT THE RATE OF $30 PER WEEK BECAUSE THEY WERE WITHOUT KNOWLEDGE OF YOUR LETTER OF INSTRUCTIONS TO THEM.

IT APPEARS THAT YOUR LETTER WAS ADDRESSED TO DR. DUNN AND WAS DELIVERED DURING THE TIME THAT HE WAS ON VACATION. THE GROUP WAS ANXIOUS TO GET STARTED, AND THE LETTER WAS LOCKED UP IN DR. DUNN'S OFFICE OR HIS HOUSE AND WAS NOT ACCESSIBLE TO THE COMMITTEE. I HAVE THE INFORMATION THAT THESE YOUNG PEOPLE WORKED FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE WEEKS AND WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR REGISTERING 197 PERSONS AND MADE A LISTING BETWEEN 700 OR 800 PERSONS WHO WERE NOT REGISTERED. NO RECORD WAS MADE OF THE TOTAL CONTACTS OR THE NUMBER OF HOUSES COVERED.

I WAS INFORMED THAT THE GROUP RECEIVED $318 FROM YOUR OFFICE, $500 CAME FROM SOME OTHER SOURCE AND DR. DUNN CONTRIBUTED $480 ODD DOLLARS PERSONAL MONEY SO AS TO KEEP THEIR COMMITMENTS TO THESE YOUNG PEOPLE AFTER THE COMMITTEE HAD STARTED WITHOUT KNOWLEDGE OF YOUR LETTER. THIS SHOULD BE REFLECTED ON THEIR BANK STATEMENT.

ATTACHED IS A XERO COPY OF A REPORT WHICH THEY HANDED ME SHOWING SOME OF THEIR FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS. INCIDENTALLY, THEY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A XERO COPY OF THE BANK STATEMENT WHICH YOU HAVE RECEIVED FROM THEM.

IN THE COURSE OF THE CONFERENCE, I INFORMED THEM THAT I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT YOUR OFFICE PROVIDE BALANCE OF THE FUNDS NECESSARY TO PAY FIVE (5) PERSONS AT $15 PER WEEK WHICH TOTALS $375, ONE (1) DIRECTOR AT $35 PER WEEK WHICH TOTALS $150, AND $135 FOR TRANSPORTATION GIVING A GRAND TOTAL OF $660. $660 LESS $318 WHICH YOUR OFFICE HAS ALREADY SENT THEM WOULD LEAVE A BALANCE OF $342 WHICH THEY WOULD RECEIVE.

THE STUDENTS THAT WERE WORKING ARE ALL BACK IN COLLEGE NOW, WHICH MEANS THAT THE CONTINUATION OF THE PROJECT WILL HAVE TO BE DONE BY ADULTS. IT WAS AGREED THAT THEY WOULD TRY TO REORGANIZE THE WHOLE MACHINERY. WHEN THIS IS DONE, YOU CAN BEGIN FUNDING THEM UNTIL THE BALANCE OF THE ORIGINAL GRANT HAS BEEN EXHAUST.

YOURS TRULY,

W. C. PATTON

WCP/LW

ENCLOSURE

September 8, 1966

	AMMOUNT DUE	PAID	BALANCE
Joan Clark	$ 95.00	$ 75.00	$ 20.00
Mary Zanders	65.00	50.00	15.00
Olive Hendricks	35.00	35.00	
Loretta Lee	35.00	35.00	
Jean Guillotte	71.00	50.00	21.00
Evelyn Moody	71.00	50.00	21.00
Joan Gibson	95.00	75.00	20.00
Betty Parker	95.00	75.00	20.00
Cynthia Johnson	48.00	35.00	13.00
Jerome Johnson	182.00	145.00	37.00
Arretta Hagens +$12.00	113.00	85.00	28.00 + 40.00
Gertrude Holmes +$12.00	113.00	85.00	28.00 + 40.00
Garnetta Lyons	216.00	170.00	46.00
TOTAL	$1,234.00	$965.00	$228.00

September 23, 1966

Mr. Felix H. Dunn
President
Gulfport Branch, NAACP
19th Street at 38th Avenue
Gulfport, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Dunn:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Hancock Bank, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 23, 1966

Hancock Bank
25th Avenue and 14th St.
Gulfport, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $400.00 to be deposited to the account of the Gulfport Branch, NAACP Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

BUDGET REVISION: Gulfport Branch, NAACP

VEP 66-78 Report due Wednesday of each week

8 Week Program August 1 to September 23, 1966

Director @ ~~$50.~~ 25 per week	~~$400.00~~ 200.00	
(5) Task Force ~~Xxxxx~~ Workers @ $15. per week	600.00	
Trasnportation	250.00	
Supplies + Materials	75.00	
Telephone	~~75.00~~	50
Rent	100.00	
		~~$1500.00~~ 1275

cc: Charles Evers
W. C. Patton

$1275.00

~~$1,500.00~~ for 8 wks

c.c. Charles Evers

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November 28, 1966

Mr. Felix H. Dunn
President
Gulfport Branch, NAACP
19th Street at 38th Avenue
Gulfport, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Dunn:

We are in receipt of the Bank Statement as of November 21, for the Gulfport Branch, NAACP Voter Education Project.

An audit of this statement indicates that on November 17, a check was made out to Dawson's Standard Service Station in the amount of $396.53. Would you explain this amount, and forward the supporting vouchers, at your earliest convenience.

Your attention to this matter is urgent.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

Office 864-1344
Residence 864-2531

FELIX H. DUNN, M. D.
19th STREET at 38th AVENUE
GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI
11/30/66

RECEIVED
DEC 1 - 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of 11/28/66 in regards to a check for $396.53 to Dawson's Service Station, this is the explanation:

As reported to Mr. Patton on his trip to Gulfport and substantiated by cancelled checks which I am certain you have received, the amount of money deposited in this account by you would not pay for services that had been rendered.

We put an additional $965.00 in this account to pay these workers off----the cancelled checks you should have before you.

Of the $965.00 deposited $500.00 was a gift and $465.00 was a loan from Dawson's Service Station (one of my business accounts).

Mr. Patton assured us after his conference that I would be repaid. Of the amount loaned $396.53 has been repaid.

Please check the amount you have deposited in this account and the amount of the cancelled checks, including the one to Dawson's Service Station and you can readily see that none of the voter registration money has been misused or used for any personal use.

Respectfully yours,

Felix H. Dunn, M.D.

December 9, 1966

Mr. Felix H. Dunn
President
Gulfport Branch, NAACP
19th Street at 38th Avenue
Gulfport, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Dunn:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation of a few days ago, enclosed is a copy of the deposit slip of the amount deposited to your account.

We are anxious to settle this matter to your satisfaction. If we can be of further assistance to you, let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO/pf

December 9, 1966

Hancock Bank
25th Avenue and 10th Street
Gulfport, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $68.47 to be deposited to the account of the Gulfport Branch. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

Route 1, Box 103A
Glen Allan, Mississippi
April 2, 1966

RECEIVED
APR 6 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Enclosed you will find the proposal for the Issaquena County Voters League in support of funding a voters registration drive in Issaquena County. We shall appreciate your consideration in the processing of this request.

Thanking you in advance for any assistance which you might be able to give.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence Hall Jr.
Clarence Hall, Jr.
Vice President
Issaquena County Voters League

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THE ISSAQUENA COUNTY VOTERS LEAGUE PROPOSAL

To The

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Of The

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INCORPORATED

The Issaquena County Voters League desires to register voters in Issaquena County. In a total population of 2700 the percentage of the population Negro is 68%. Negroes of voting age in the population total number 1081. It is estimated that less than one third of this number are registered voters. We feel that a significant contribution toward Americanization can be made if a larger number of those eligible exercise the franchise. The extent of reprisals attended upon current efforts to register indicate the urgent need of assistance if our goal of fuller registration is to be achieved. More, a systematic effort needs be made to reach those presently unregistered since this residue normally represents the more timid or less motivated persons.

House-to-house visitations by committed persons will be the method of increasing registration. These canvassers will accompany potential registrants to the Court House whenever desired. Persons difficult to convince will be re-visited by yet other canvassers. These visitors will depend upon persuasion as well as their knowledge of the situation to achieve their goals.

The area to be served consists wholly of Issaquena County which is entirely rural. The largest village (Mayersville) numbers approximately three hundred persons. This Delta county is the second poorest in the state economically.

The applicant agency is the Issaquena County Voters League. The officers are: president: Mr. H. S. Sias, farmer; vice president: Mr. Clarence Hall, Jr., farmer; secretary, Mrs. Georgia Kline. Board Members: Mrs. Idella Fitzgerald, Mr. Luke Holiday, Mr. Jim Mack, Reverend Smith, Mrs. Fannie Green, Mrs. Minnie Ripley, Mr. Matthew Walker, Mr. Fufus Hurns, Mr. Clarence Hall, Jr. Mr. H. S. Sias, Mr. Johnny Woods, Mr. Roosevelt Diggs, Mr. Percy Brinson, Mrs. Unita

Blackwell, Mrs. Georgia Kline. These persons will have the overall direction of the program keeping the goals in view and lending such support as may be from time to time required.

Pending the granting of funds employees will be sought from among residents of the community. It shall be a requirement of employment that the employee be a registered voter if such is legally possible. An overall project director will be required who will direct the efforts of the canvassers and will assign their areas of work. It shall be his responsibility to make sure that follow-up calls are made on the ones who are hard to convince. He shall make a daily check on the canvassers' achievements. He shall be at all times conversant with numbers of persons registered and shall keep a daily log of such achievements. His salary shall be $75 per week.

The visitors shall be paid at the rate of $1.25 per hour for a 20 hour week. Because these persons are vitally concerned with the anticipated goals, it is understood that each employee will contribute a minimum of 20 hours work a week in addition to that for which remuneration is provided. Thus, the cost will be $25 weekly for ten canvassers.

Additional funds are requested for purposes such as maintenance of an office including telephone and postage and for transportation fuel. See attached budget.

It is anticipated that this program can be achieved in ten weeks. It can start as soon as funded.

BACKGROUND

At present this county presents a front of complete white domination. The ASCS elections failed to break this front due alike to manipulation by whites and to widespread Negro fears. No Negroes voted in the last election. No Negroes have run for office. At present no Negroes hold appointive office, although there are Negroes on the proposed Community Action Board appointed by the County Supervisors. There exists the distinct probability that these appointees will be subject to their control.

The only organizations having concern for the Negroes in the county are Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party and the Delta Ministry: neither is carrying on a very effective program and both require either much larger staff or the assurance of effective work by other concerned agencies.

Registration is permitted between eight and four o'clock five days a week at the courthouse in Mayersville. Currently, the Negro registration approximates less than one third of a potential or between 250 and 300 persons.

There exists among the Negro population an intensely felt desire to participate more actively in the responsibilities, duties and privileges of citizenship. This is indicated among other things by the wide and enthusiastic participation in weekly rallies in four different places. These rallies have pronounced support. They have been continuing for the past two years. A county meeting is held once per month. This desire is also noted in the Child Development Group of Mississippi Head Start school.

Inevitably, citizenship has become a topic of conversation between neighbors and this has been a consistent occurrence.

Please reply to:

Mr. Clarence Hall, Jr.
Route 1, Box 103A
Glen Allan, Mississippi
Telephone: (601) 839-4036

BUDGET

Director's Salary	$ 750.00
Canvasser's Salary	2,500.00
Telephone expenses	150.00
Office supplies	50.00
Office rent	100.00
Transportation expenses (gasoline, oil, etc.)	200.00
Total	$3,750.00

JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
JOSEPHINE WILKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT
RUFUS E. CLEMENT, VICE-PRESIDENT
STEPHEN J. WRIGHT, VICE-PRESIDENT
PAUL R. CHRISTOPHER, VICE-PRESIDENT
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JOSEPH HAAS, COUNSEL
PAUL ANTHONY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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Southern Regional Council, Inc.

5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
JAckson 2-8764

May 4, 1966

Mr. Clarence Hall, Jr.
Vice-President
Issaquena County Voters League
Route 1, Box 103A
Glen Allan, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Hall:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Issaquena County Voters League for a grant to conduct voter registration in Glen Allan, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,770.00 for a period of ten weeks, to run from May 9 to July 15, 1966.

We have limited the grant to ten weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary @ $50.00 per week	$ 500.00
b)	Telephone Expenses	120.00
c)	Office Rent	150.00
d)	Transportation	425.00
e)	Office Supplies	75.00
f)	Canvassers' Salary (10 - @ $15.00 per week)	1,500.00
		$ 2,770.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips, and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully, and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Mr. Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

May 12, 1966

Mr. Clarence Hall, Jr.
Vice President
Issaquena County Voters League
Route 1, Box 130A
Glen Allan, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Hall:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of letter of transmittal, indicating amount deposited to your account at the First National Bank, Greenville, Mississippi, and b) weekly report forms, for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your endeavors.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosures

May 12, 1966

The First National Bank
Greenville, Mississippi 38702

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $554.00 to be deposited to the account of The Issaquena County Voters League, Account No. 19-135-021, of Glen Allan, Mississippi.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Clarence Hall, Jr.

TO pls reply

Mr. Clarence Hall, Jr.
Vice President
Issaquena County Voters League
Route 1, Box 103 A
Glen Allan, Mississippi
May 16, 1966

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Oliver:

I received your letter May 14, 1966, and I was happy to know the deposit had been made.

The Issaquena County Voters League officers and board members met May 13, 1966 and decided to work five people at $30.00 per week. Employees pay will begin May 23, 1966.

Workshops will be held, beginning Monday, May 16, 1966 through Friday, May 20, 1966. Prospective employees will attend these meetings. The purposes of the workshops follow:

1. To assign canvassers to specific areas.
2. To discuss canvassing techniques.
3. To establish guidelines for canvassers.
4. To select canvassers.

We will forward you a copy of the guidelines when we have completed them.

Questions:

1. Will people who work be required to complete a W-4 Form?
2. If so, who will make deductions for social security and income tax.

Sincerely,

Issaquena County Voters League

Clarence Hall, Jr.

Clarence Hall, Jr.
Vice President

CH/mm

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Vice President
Issaquena County Voters League
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Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosures

May 16, 1966

Mr. Clarence Hall, Jr.
Vice President
Issaquena County Voters League
Route 1, Box 103A
Glen Alan, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Hall:

In his letter to you of May 4, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned the research reports VEP requires during your registration campaign.

I am enclosing forms which we wish your office to complete and return to us twice a month. Please do not send us forms filled out by several registration workers covering different periods of work. Instead, we suggest that one of the project personnel collect from the workers their records of number of persons contacted, number registered, etc., and consolidate this information on a single sheet to be sent to us. A supply of forms for use by workers in the field is being sent to you under separate cover. It is of vital importance that the figures sent to us be actual count <u>and not estimates</u>.

We are asking that we receive these reports from you on approximately May 23, June 6, June 20, July 5, and finally, after the conclusion of your campaign on July 18.

We also will need at least one narrative report setting forth, in detail, the organization, methods and results of your program. This should be

done at the conclusion of the present drive, and should be in the nature of an evaluation of your efforts. Included should be smaples of printed materials used.

This outline of required reports should not be construed as limiting. That is to say, we encourage all groups with which we are associated to supply us with as detailed information as possible. The more dandid and complete the reports, the better you and VEP can plan future programs.

We wish for your program every success, and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:nm

May 19, 1966

Mr. Clarence Hall, Jr.
Vice President
Issaquena County Voters League
Route 1, Box 103A
Glan Allan, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Hall:

We are herewith acknowledging receipt of your letter dated May 16, in which you requested additional information concerning W-4 Forms, and Social Security deductions for task force workers, etc.

It is not our practice to require these forms nor to take Social Security deductions from any workers that participate in the different voter registration campaigns. However, if you desire to do this, you have our permission. Of course, you realize this will be your full responsibility of clerical and other duties involved.

We appreciate your interest, and thanks for writing us.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

TO:nm

May 24, 1966

Mr. Clarence Hall, Jr.
Vice President
Issaquena County Voters League
Route 1, Box 103A
Glen Allan, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Hall:

We are in receipt of the printed checks to be used by the Issaquena County Voters League. The provisions of our guidelines, however, stipulate that the account should be in the name of the organization, with two signatures. For example,

Issaquena County Voters League
Route 1, Box 103A
Glan Allan, Mississippi

Please instruct the First National Bank of Greenville to make this change so that you can begin writing checks. However, the Bank Statements should be sent ditectly to the Voter Education Project, 5 Forsyth Street, N. W., Atlanta, 30303.

We look forsard to pleasant business relations with your organization.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

TO:nm

cc: First National Bank
Greenville, Mississippi

June 2, 1966

The First National Bank
Greenville, Mississippi 38702

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $554.00 to be deposited to the account of The Issaquena County Voters League, Account No. 22-096-969, of Glen Allan, Mississippi.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide
Voter Education Project

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Clarence Hall, Jr.

DEPOSITED IN

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

GREENVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

Date May 31, 1966

ACCT. SYMBOL 22-096-969

NAME Issaquena County Voters League

Clg. & Trans. Items	FLOAT	EXCHANGE

All items credited subject to payment under conditions stated on signature card.

	DOLLARS	CENTS
CURRENCY		
SILVER		
CHECKS AS FOLLOWS	55	4
TRIPLICATE 1		
TOTAL	55	4

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Mr. Clarence Hall Jr.
Vice President
Issaquena County Voters League
Route 1, Box 103 A
Glen Allen, Mississippi
June 7, 1966

Thaddeus Oliver Jr.
Administrative Aide Water Project
Southern Regional Council Inc.
5 Forsyth Street. N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

RECEIVED
JUN 8 1966

Dear Mr. Oliver;

Due to our late deposit which wasn't made until June 6, 1966, and we had been working for two weeks, and we made checks out covering two weeks pay an amount of one check for Director, Canvasser's, and Transportation etc. We hope that you will accept this report, if there are any errors please let us know, and we'll make the necessary corrections. We are sending all vouches for transportation, ~~Telephone~~ ~~Expense~~, and supplies, and also we sending receipts signed by all workers for office rent, Gas, Canvasser's and the Director and telephone bill.

There are some bad reciepts for Clarence Hall Jr. and Willie Sias, the reason these reciepts are like that is because we stood for gas for Mary Ann Watts and Henry Sias Jr.

Please send us some more financial report blanks.

Very truly yours,

Mr. Clarence Hall Jr.

June 9, 1966

Mr. Clarence Hall, Jr.
Vice Chairman
Issaquena County Voters League
Route k, Box 103A
Glen Allan, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Hall:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the First National Bank of Greenville, Mississippi, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

June 9, 1966

The First National Bank
Greenville, Mississippi 38702

Re: Account No. 22-096-969

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $500.00 to be deposited to the account of the Issaquena County Voters League, Glen Allan, Mississippi. Also Enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

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Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Clarence Hall, Mr.

June 23, 1966

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Vice Chairman
Issaquena County Voters League
Route 1, Box 103A
Glen Allan Mississippi

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Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
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Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Clarence Hall, Jr.

July 7, 1966

William Fleming
Issequena County Voters League
Route 1, Box 103A
Glen Allen, Mississippi

Dear Willy:

I enclose a copy of the Voting Rights Act of 1965. On page 16 it states clearly that intimidation of the person registering is against the law.

However the problem is to furnish adequate proof that someone was fired or intimidated because he wanted to register. There have been two suits so far under this provision, and unfortunately both have been lost because of lack of sufficient proof.

I have talked to Chuck Morgan, the chief civil liberties lawyer here in Atlanta. He said that you should contact Al Bronstein in Jackson if you want to go ahead, try to register people on the Johnson plantation, and if any are fired, bring suit. His address is:

Al Bronstein
Lawyers' Constitutional Defense Committee
603 North Farish Street
Jackson, Mississippi phone: 948-4191

If you can find a person on the plantation who is willing to take a chance and register, I would get him to register. Contact Mr. Bronstein first, outline the situation, including any remarks Johnson has made about registration, so that he can be prepared in advance to bring suit. This is necessary because of the difficulty of getting adequate proof in court.

I hope I will get back to Issequena before the summer is over. Thanks for all the help you gave me, and I wish you the best of luck. If there is anything more I can do, just let me know by phone (collect to Atlanta) or letter. If you call Al Bronstein, you can say SRC and Chuck Morgan of ACLU suggested that you call.

Yours,

Bill Beardslee
Student Field Director
Voter Education Project

July 14, 1966

Mr. Jake Ayers, Sr.
P.O. Box 384
Glen Allan, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Ayers:

In his letter of July 7, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and <u>not by estimate</u>.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program began July 11, we will need reports from you on July 25, August 8, August 22, and September 5.

In addition, we will need two narrative reports from you one on August 11 and another on September 11, after your program has been completed. These longer reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

July 14, 1966

The First National Bank
Greenville
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $500.00 to be deposited to the account of the Issaquena county Voters League, VEP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Clarence Hall, Jr.

July 14, 1966

The First National Bank
Greenville
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

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Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Clarence Hall, Jr.

July 15, 1966

Mr. Clarence Hall, Jr.
Vice President
Issaquena County Voters League
Route 1, Box 103A
Glen Allan, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Hall:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the First National Bank of Mississippi, Greenville, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

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Vice President
Issaquena County Voters League
Route 1, Box 103A
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Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

OFFICE USE ONLY

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX Project Director

Issaquena County Voters League

Budget Revision VEP 66-47 Report due Tuesday

10 Week Program May 9 to July 15, 1966

Director's Salary @ $50 per week	$500.00	
Telephone Expenses	120.00	
Office Supplies	75.00	
Office Rent	150.00	
Transportation	425.00	
Canvasser's Salary (10 @ $15 per week)	1,500.00	
		$2,770.00

August 31, 1966

Mr. J. Milton Taylor
Vice President
The First National Bank
Greenville, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Taylor:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $323.00 to be deposited to the account of the Washington County Improvement Association. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

August 4, 1966

The First National Bank
Greenville
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $500.00 to be deposited to the account of the Issaquena County Voters League. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Clarence Hall

August 4, 1966

Mr. Clarence Hall
Vice President
Issaquena County Voters League
Route 1, Box 103A
Glen Allan, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Hall:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the First National Bank, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 17, 1966

Mr. Clarence Hall
Vice President
Issaquena County Voters League
Route 1 Box 103A
Glen Allan, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Hall:

This is the final installment on your Voter Education Project, and we are looking forward to having your final reports within a few days.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

We hope that this initial grant is only the beginning of a long relationship, which we shall try to make both pleasant and profitable to us both.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 17, 1966

The First National Bank
Greenville, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $216.00 to be deposited to the account of the Issaquena County Voters League. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 31, 1966

Mr. Jake Ayers, Sr.
P.O. Box 384
Glen Allan, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Ayers:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 24, 1966

Mrs. Thelma Barnes
Director
Washington County Improvement Association
Voter Registration Project
217 Trilby Street
Greenville, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Barnes:

It has been a pleasure and privilege to have your proposal in our files. May I congradulate you and other members of your Association for a job well done.

Mr. Wall, in his letter of May 16 mentioned certain reports that are required. May I remind you that as you bring your program to a close, that this report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms.

Please do not hesitate to write us again if we can be of further service to you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 24, 1966

Mr. J. Milton Taylor
Vice President
The First National Bank
Greenville, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Taylor:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $190.00 to be deposited to the account of the Washington County Improvement Association. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

memo from w. c. patton

March 7, 1966

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TO: Mr. Vernon Jordon

Attached herewith is a proposal from the Jackson, Mississippi Nranch. I note that the total proposed budget calls for $6,500.00.

I would think a more realistic figure would be $3,500.00 to cover an eight week period.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

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1072 Lynch Street
Room 10
Jackson, Mississippi
March 4, 1966

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MAR 8 1966

Mr. W. C. Patton, Director
NAACP Voters Education Project
1630 - 4th Ave.
Birmingham, Alabama

Re: Hinds County Mississippi
Voters Project

Dear Mr. Patton:

The Jackson, Mississippi branch of The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, is very anxious to take part in the Voters Education Project. We have had several meetings on the subject. The general opinion being that we should try to carry all three areas. Our feeling being that the more in formation given the people the better they would react to any given area.

An outline of our plans are as follows:

1. We thought maybe our best plan would be to work one precinct at a time.

2. After selecting a given precinct we would determine how much time would be allotted said precinct.

3. The professional workers would go into the precinct and set up meeting places wherein the public would be invited. At these meeting, so we would discuss the three areas heretofore mentioned. The citizens would be told just when the drive for Voter registration would begin and volunteer workers gotten.

4. On the given date, all of the task force workers and the volunteer workers would decend on the precinct and knock on each and every door.

5. We would have a report on the first (1st) and last nights of days used in any given precinct. These reports would reveal the success and failures encountered in said precinct.

6. This process would be followed for the city of Jackson and as much of the County as far as possible.

The project personnel would consist of a chairman, vice-chairman, coordinator, three (3) professional workers, two (2) secretaries, treasure, a task force and as many volunteer workers as possible.

The chairman and/or vice chairman shall preside over all staff meetings, at which time the planning of our program is done.

The coordinator is too see that all work is properly planned and that the workers are carrying out the task assigned them. It shall be the duties of the professional workers to organize the precinct and direct the activities of the task force workers and volunteers. The secretaries are to keep records of persons registered and other information incident to the program. The treasurer shall deposit any and all funds received and pay out some by counter-signing checks with the secretary designated. The task force group and volunteers shall be used to contact each and every grown person in the precinct.

With proper planning and coordination we should be able to complete the project in 90 days. Considering the number of eligible negroes for registration in Hinds County. Minus those who are already registered. we feel that there are some 24,000 yet to be registered. We have reasons to believe that less than 6,000 voted in the last election. There are some 12,000 negroes registered.

We are submitting a proposed budget of $6500.00 and detailed as described thereon.

We submit that the negroes in Hinds County and the city of Jackson are not as eager for political participation as we would hope. However, we do feel that there is a growing awareness of our political responsibilities. The voting act of 1965 and the federal registrars have done a great deal to make people citizenship conscience. We do believe that the like of citizenship and leadership training is the greatest hinderance to an all out Voter registration program.

To date we have had only one (1) Negro to run for office. And only one Negro to be appointed to an office. We are sure that poor record as mentioned before is the result of poor leadership and citizenship training.

We get the impression that the lack of active organizations stem from that fact that in the pass the number of voters have not demand group action. Yet we feel that with proper leadership this can and will be changed. There are persons now in our county who has had varied and succussful experiences in this type of work, who have promised to give use of their experiences.

There is no law in Hinds County for time as too registration. This can be done on any day of the week between the hours of 8:30 and 5: P M .

It is our considered feeling that the desire for fuller citizenship participation is growing and that this program if allowed and carried out as planned that we will see a still greater desire one never dreamed of before.

Jackson Mississippi NAACP Branch

Samuel Bailey

Samuel Bailey, President

Robbye Griffin

Robbye Griffin, Coordinator

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List of proposed staff and personnel

Attorney Carsie Hall----------Chairman--115½ N. Farish Street
Jackson, Mississippi

Vice Chairman--------Mr. Samuel Bailey-----1502 Florence Street
Jackson, Mississippi

Secretary----------Mrs. Patricia E. Cole-2872 Utah Street
Jackson, Mississippi

Assistant Secretary- Mrs. Elmer C. Taylor-538½ N. Farish Street
Jackson, Mississippi

Treasurer----------Miss Essie Randle----531 W. Pascagoula Street
Jackson, Mississippi

Professionals:

Miss Essie Randle-------531 W. Pascagoula Street- Jackson

Mrs. Robbye Griffin-----1368 Holloman Street- Jackson

Mrs. Adele Peavy--------617 Watson Street- Jackson

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT (NAACP)

PROPOSED BUDGET

Period 90 Days

Place: Hinds County

Date: March 3, 1966

Salaries - Professional	$ 3000.00			
Clerical	1350.00			
Travel				
Transportation	1300.00			
Office Rent	150.00			
Tele. & Tele	75.00			
Publicity & Promotion	100.00			
Office Supplies	125.00			
Printing Supplies				
Furniture & Fixtures	100.00			
General (Lump Sums)	250.00			
Postage	50.00			

Total $ 6,500.00

Submitted by: Jackson Branch NAACP
Jackson, Mississippi

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1072 Lynch Street
Room 10
Jackson, Miss.
May 9, 1966

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MAY 1 . 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan
5 - Forsyth St. N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find a proposed Budget for the Jackson Branch NAACP, 8 week Voter Registration Drive.

From the office of Miss Althea Simmons, we were requested to send this proposal to your office for immediate action.

Looking to hear from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Samuel Bailey

Samuel Bailey, President
Jackson Branch NAACP

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PROPOSED BUDGET - JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

8-WEEK

VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE - 1966

SALARIES		
10 task force workers @ $10.00 a week		$ 800.00
1 task force assistant @ $35.00		280.00
1 office secretary @ $30.00		240.00
FURNITURE AND FIXTURES		
1 Mimeograph machine - rental	@ $20.00	40.00
1 Typewriter - rental	@ 8.00	24.00
RENT AND UTILITIES		
Office space	@ $35.00	70.00
TELEPHONE		
Branch office	@ $40.00	75.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES AND POSTAGE		150.00
Letterhead Handbills		200.00
TRANSPORTATION		
Mileage allowance for workers	@ $50.00	500.00
TOTAL		$2,379.00

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July 27, 1966

Mr. Samuel Bailey
President
Jackson Branch, NAACP
1072 Lynch Street
Room 10
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Bailey:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Jackson Branch, NAACP, for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Jackson, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $3,000.00 for an eight week period to run from August 1, to September 23, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary @ $50.00 per week	$ 400.00
b)	(10) Task Force Workers (@ $15.00 per week)	1,500.00
c)	Secretary @ $35.00 per week	280.00
d)	Office Rent	70.00
e)	Transportation	500.00
f)	Office Supplies	100.00
g)	Printing and Postage	75.00
h)	Equipment Rental	75.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statement directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Wednesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officess of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs, Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

cc: Messrs. Charles Evers
W. C. Patton

July 27, 1966

Mr. Samuel Bailey
President
Jackson Branch, NAACP
1072 Lynch Street
Room 10
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Bailey:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 27, 1966

First National Bank
Jackson, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $500.00 to be deposited to the account of the Jackson Branch, NAACP Voter Registration Drive. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Samuel Bailey

July 28, 1966

Mr. Samuel Bailey
President
Jackson Branch, NAACP
1072 Lynch Street
Room 10
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Bailey:

In his letter of July 26, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings held, people contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and <u>not by estimate</u>.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program begins August 1, we will need reports from you on August 15, August 29, September 12 and September 29.

In addition, we will need two narrative reports from you--one on August 31 and the other on September 28, after your program has been completed. These longer reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

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Jackson Branch NAACP
1072 Lynch Street - Room 8
Jackson, Mississippi

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AUG 9 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

The Jackson Branch NAACP submits it report on voters registaration from the dates of August 1 through 7. We have also included samples of our work; such as, hand bills and applications. We do hope the program will continue to grow as we strive.

Samples of placards will be sent later.

Sincerely yours,

Samuel Bailey /rgh
Mr. Samuel Bailey, President

Robbye Griffin
Mrs. Robbye Griffin, Director

August 16, 1966

Mr. Samuel Bailey
President
Jackson Branch, NAACP
1072 Lynch Street
Room 10
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Bailey:

Enclosed are your personalized checks. They were sent to us from the First National Bank in Jackson, Mississippi.

We are looking forward to great results from Jackson.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 18, 1966

Mrs. Griffin
Director
Jackson Branch, NAACP
1072 Lynch St.
Room 8
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Griffin:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

August 18, 1966

First National Bank
Jackson
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $325 to be deposited to the account of the Jackson Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encl:

August 22, 1966

Mrs. Robbye Griffin
Director
Jackson Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project
1072 Lynch St.
Room 8
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Griffin:

We received this morning a statement of charges in the amount of $20.00 for expenses of handling checks for "Insufficient Funds" against your account.

May I suggest that you keep a copy of your Weekly Report so that you will know at all times the exact balance.

Add, of course, if you simply overlooked it, won't you accept this as a little reminder that we're anxious to serve you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

August 22, 1966

First National Bank
Jackson
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $375.00 to be deposited to the account of the Jackson Branch NAACP Voter Registration Drive.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 22, 1966

Mr. Samuel Bailey
President
Jackson Branch, NAACP
1072 Lynch St.
Room 10
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Bailey:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report froms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

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1072 Lynch Street
Room 8
Jackson, Mississippi
August 24, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

In reply to your letter August 22 please allow me to say I regret this incident occurred and I have been quite disturbed.

I am very grateful for your understanding and shall put forth every effort that it doesn't occur again.

I am happy to have the opportunity to work with you and shall strive to make this voter registration project a success for we do need aid for a voter education project which is very neccesary.

Sincerely yours,

Robbye Griffin

Robbye Griffin
Director
Jackson Branch NAACP

RG/sg

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1072 Lynch Street
Room 8
Jackson, Mississippi
August 26, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

The Jackson Branch NAACP is trying to get straight with its Grant.

We would like for you to know that our regular payroll is $297.00 per week aside for supplies, printing or postage.

We are now holding checks for the amount $112.00. We cannot cash until a sufficient amount is deposited.

We do hope that a deposit will be made in order for us to catch up.

Our project is, to our knowledge, a successful one. We will continue to strive toward our goal with your assistance.

Sincerely yours,

Robbye Griffin

Robbye Griffin
Director

Samuel Bailey sfg

Samuel Bailey
President
Jackson Branch NAACP

RG/sfg

September 1, 1966

Mrs. Robbye Griffin
Director
Jackson Branch, NAACP
Voter Registration Project
1072 Lynch Street
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Griffin:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 1, 1966

First National Bank
Jackson
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $300.00 to be deposited to the account of the Jack son Branch NAACp Voter Registration Drive. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

JOE R. McLEOD
ASSISTANT CASHIER

September 6, 1966

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Gentlemen:

We are returning deposit received this date as we are unable to locate an account on our books styled Jackson Branch, NAACP Voter Education Project. If this is to be a new account, please return the deposit and advise the undersigned and we shall be happy to establish this new account and forward to you necessary resolutions and signature cards. If this account is carried on our books now in some different styling, please add the account number to your deposit slip and return and we shall be happy to make the credit.

Sincerely yours,

Joe R. McLeod
Assistant Cashier

JRM/jb

Enclosure

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AUG 3 1966

1072 Lynch Street
Room 8
Jackson, Mississippi
September 10, 1966

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SEP 12 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

We are mindful that so many projects scattered in so many areas is quite a problem for you and we do not wish to add to your burden. You have been nice to us. This voter registration effort is greatly needed in Jackson, Mississippi.

We have a problem, in that, the young people who have been working diligently and so effectively in our local project need their checks at the end of each week. Several of these checks have been returned from the bank. Some were returned this week for insufficient funds.

The report from our director for this special project is sent to you under separate cover.

Please, as soon as you can, deposit whatever is due in this special account and notify us.

Sincerely yours,

R. L. T. Smith

R.L.T. Smith

RLTS/sfg

September 19, 1966

Mrs. Robbye Griffin
Director
Jackson Branch, NAACP
Voter Registration Drive
1072 Lynch St.
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Griffin:

Enclosed to our telephone conversation, enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report froms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 19, 1966

First National Bank
Jackson
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $700.00 to be deposited to the account of the Jackson Branch, NAACP Voter Registration Drive. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

BUDGET REVISION: JACKSON BRANCH, NAACP

VEP 66-83 Report due Wednesday of each week

8 Week Program August 1 to September 23, 1966

Director @ $50.00 per week	$400.00	
(10) Task Force Workers @ $15. per week	1500.00	
Secretary @ $35. per week	280.00	
Office Rent	70.00	
Transportation	500.00	
Office Supplies	100.00	
Printing and Postage	$75.00	
Equipment Rental	75.00	
		$3000.00

cc: W. C. Patton
Charles Evers

$3,000 for 8 wks

See, 2,379.00.

budget enclosed.

Use it as guide

c.c. Charles Evers

400.00
1500.00
280.00
70.00
500.00
100.00
75.00
75.00
3125.00

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1072 Lynch Street
Room 8
Jackson, Mississippi
September 26, 1966

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SEP 27 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

In reference to our telephone conversation, September 19, 1966, you stated task force workers and other workers should continue until the funds are exhausted.

We are now starting on the last week of the project doing a special followup as we've done in the last two weeks.

We are also holding checks for the amount of $207.00 for the week beginning September 19th and ending September 24th. This week's, beginning September 26th and ending October 1st, will also amount to $207.00.

By checking with the bank, I found the balance was only $118.61 and checks have not been cleared.

There are only four task force workers. We will employ them until this weekend to prepare voter cards and compile records of our program.

Any funds left could be used in voter education which is very much needed. I have three thousand handbills for the get out to vote drive and we will need funds for a project.

We look to hear from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Robbye Griffin

Robbye Griffin
Director

RG/sfg

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NOW! THAT YOU ARE

REGISTERED

DONT STAY AT HOME ON ELECTION DAY

GET OUT TO VOTE ON NOVEMBER- 8

VOTING MEANS FREEDOM

1. POLLS OPEN NOVEMBER 8th 7:00 a.m.
2. GO BEFORE YOU START TO WORK
3. GO ON YOUR LUNCH HOUR
4. MAKE ARRANGEMENTS WITH YOUR EMPLOYER
5. ITS YOUR RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES TO VOTE
6. POLLS CLOSES 6:00 p.m. DON'T STOP RUSH TO YOUR VOTING PLACES.
7. IF YOU ARE JUST SITTING AT HOME GO EARLY TO GET OUT OF THE WAY OF THE LATE WORKERS.
8. IF YOU NEED TO KNOW WHERE TO GO TO VOTE CALL 948-3268 FOR INFORMATION

JACKSON BRANCH NAACP 948-3268

October 3, 1966

Mrs. Robbye Griffin
Director
Jackson Branch, NAACP
Voter Registration Project
1072 Lynch Street
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Griffin:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation of September 30, enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 3, 1966

First National Bank
Jackson
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $400.00 to be deposited to the account of the Jackson Branch, NAACP Voter Registration Drive. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 10, 1966

Mrs Robbye Griffin
Director
Jackson Branch, NAACP
1072 Lynch Street, Room 8
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Griffin:

I am returning your weekly report of September 23 so that you may complete the section "Weekly Cash Summary." May we have this at your earliest possible convenience.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 14, 1966

Mrs. Robbye Griffin
Director
Jackson Branch, NAACP
Voter Registration Project
1072 Lynch Street
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Griffin:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Weekly Report dated September 30. The provisions of our Guidelines must be met, therefore, I must return your report and ask that the Weekly Cash Summary Section be completed.

May we have this at your earliest convenience, so that your Project may be reimbursed. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

1072 Lynch Street
Room 8
Jackson, Mississippi
October 18, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Ga.

RECEIVED
OCT 21 1966

Dear Mr. Olive:

Please pardon my delay in sending the reports back to you. I have been out of the office. I do hope this will help get your files straight. This has been somewhat complicated due to our inexperience with a grant. One must learn how to handle various situations.

I have been somewhat reluctant about making out the weekly cash summary due to the checks returned insufficient funds and checks held for a deposit.

May I also add that you did not return vouchers 159-Rev. R. L. T. Smith 160-M. W. Stringer Grand Lodge for rent, 161-W. T. May Co. for Rental of Equipment.

The balance given on each report was given from the bank. Please check your statements for our benefit. We are ready to resume our work immediately when you reimburse and notify us.

Sincerely,

Robbye Griffin

Robbye Griffin
Director

RG/sfg

October 21, 1966

Mrs. Robbye Griffin
Director
Jackson Branch, NAACP
1072 Lynch Street, Room 8
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Griffin:

It has been a pleasure and privilege to have your proposal in our files. May I congradulate you and other members of your Branch for a job well done.

Mr. Wall, in his letter of July 28, 1966, mentioned certain reports that are required, as you bring your program to a close. May I remind you that these reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Please do not hesitate to write us again if we can be of further service to you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

October 21, 1966

First National Bank
Jackson
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclose is a check in the amount of $400.00 to be deposited to the account of Jackson Branch, NAACP Special Account. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

RECEIVED

NOV 21 1966

1072 Lynch Street
Room 8
Jackson, Mississippi
November 18, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Olive:

Due to an error made at the bank concerning the improper endorsement of the check you returned to the Jackson Branch NAACP I am unable to mail my last fiancial report.

Information from the bank states Check No. 187 paid to Jerel May is being returned to you for insufficient funds. This is by no means correct.

As soon as the error is corrected I will send my report immediately.

Sincerely yours,

Robbye Griffin

Robbye Griffin

RG/sfg

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

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JACKSON BRANCH NAACP
1072 Lynch Street - Room 8

Mr. Vernon Jordan
Southern Regional Council, Inc
5 Forsyth Street N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan:

The JACKSON BRANCH NAACP seems to be having difficult as we did not understand that the $500.00 deposited August 4, 1966 was for two weeks to get started.

Our first report was sent to you and not to Mr. Olive as we should have through some mistake.

We did not have any office supplies and we used the funds allocated for supplies for the eight week (8) period all except $19.61. Also, the funds allocated for printing and postage leaving a balance of $22.00.

Our first week salary and supplies came to a total of $387.22, leaving a balance of $112.78 in the account beginning August 8, 1966.

Now we do not have enough funds to cover checks we have written for the week beginning August 8 through 13. Consequently, they were returned to State Mutual Bank totaling $115.00.

Please check report No. One sent to you August 9, 1966. You will find the expense sheet covers what I have mentioned above for the first week.

I do hope we can get this straight with your help. We would also like the number of our Grant.

Sincerely yours,

Samuel Baily /RSK
Mr. Samuel Baily, President

Robbye Griffin
Mrs. Robbye Griffin, Director

Lauderdale County Branch NAACP
406 25th Avenue
Meridian, Mississipp
May 20, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

RECEIVED
MAY 26 1966

Dear Mr. Jordan:

This is a request for funds to conduct a Voter Registration Campaign in Lauderdale County, Mississippi. Here in Lauderdale County only about 4,000 of the 13,000 or more of the Negroes 21 years of age and over are registered to vote. This is mainly due to the fact that the Local Community is unable to bear the finiancial burden to conduct a Campaign sufficient to do the job.

The Negroes voting, are 40% of the voting population in Lauderdale County, With an effective Voter Registration and Education Campaign, we will be in a position to bring Justice, Equality and Democracy to our erea.

We would like to conduct a 10 week Campaign, and the following expenses must be met to carry on the Campaign:

Ten (10) College Students	$15.00	per wk.	totaling	$1,500.00
Automobile & bus transportation	25.00	" "	"	250.00
Drivers for bus & automobile	25.00	" "	"	250.00
Campaign Co-ordinator	35.00	" "	"	350.00
Secretary	25.00	" "	"	250.00
Radio & T. V. Advertisement				200.00
Telephone				50.00
Statinery				50.00
Postage				50.00
Miscellaneous				50.00
Total				$3,000.00

Yours truly,

Ernest Trussell

Mr. Earnest Trussel, President

James Bishop

Mr. James Bishop, Treasurer

Obie Clark

Mr. Obie Clark, Secretary

cc: Mr. Charles Evers

E T/cmb

June 2, 1966

Mr. Ernest Trussel
President
Lauderdale County Branch, NAACP
406 - 25th Avenue
Meridian, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Trussell:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated May 20, 1966.

We are pleased to know that you plan to conduct a voter registration campaign in Lauderdale County, Mississippi, and will do whatever we can to help promote your program. Therefore, we are inviting you to submit a proposal in compliance with the enclosed guidelines, at your earliest possible convenience.

May we hear from you soon?

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO:nm
Enclosures

cc: Mr. Charles Evers

National Association
For The
Advancement Of Colored People

Meridian Branch Office
2505½-Fifth Street
MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI 39301
Phone 485-5481

June 24, 1966

6/28/66

Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan:

This letter comes to inform you of our change of address, since our last letter to you. We will be pleased if all further correspondence be addressed to the Local Branch Office. Please note Letter Head address.

Yours very truly,

Johnny Barbour Jr.

Rev. Johnny Barbour Jr., Executive Dir.

JBJ/cmb

P. S: Our letter was a request for funds to help conduct a 10 week Voter Registration Campaign in Lauderdale County.

Mr Barbour
2505½ 5th St.

TO
VEP-82

July 26, 1966

Mr. Ernest Trussel
President
Lauderdale County Branch, NAACP
406 - 25th Avenue
Meridian, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Trussel:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Lauderdale County Branch, NAACP, for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Meridian, Lauderdale County, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,300 for an eight week period to run from August 1 to September 23, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary @ $25.00 per week	$ 200.00
b)	(5) Task Force Workers (@$ 15.00 per week)	600.00
c)	Transportation	250.00
d)	Office Supplies	50.00
e)	Telephone	50.00
f)	Postage and Printing	50.00
g)	Rent	100.00
		~~$1,300.00~~

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bnak account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read thise carefully, and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, and programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

cc: Mr. Charles Evers

July 29, 1966

Mr. Ernest Trussel
President
Lauderdale County Branch, NAACP
406 - 25th Avenue
Meridian, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Trussel:

In his letter of July 26, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings held, people contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and <u>not by estimate</u>.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program begins August 1, we will need reports from you on August 15, August 29, September 12 and September 29.

In addition, we will need two narrative reports from you--one on August 31 and the other on September 28, after your program has been completed. These longer reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

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National Association
For The
Advancement Of Colored People

Meridian Branch Office
2505½-Fifth Street
MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI 39301
Phone 485-5481

August 4, 1966

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AUG 5 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan
Southern Regional Council
Rm. 201
5 Forstyth N.W.
Alanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Have received your correspondence from Mr. Ernest Trussell concerning Voter Registration Project Lauderdale County. As director of the project I am writing you to say that I have read the guideline furnished by your office carefully.

We will govern our project accordingly. Mr. James Bishop, our treasurer has opened a bank account at the Merchants and Farmers Bank, 517 23rd Ave. Meridian, Miss. Phone 483-2245. We will send a signature copy to your office instructing the bank as to the requirements in your guideline.

Our project has been in process on the volunteer basis for the last month with ten persons on the staff. According to the correspondence to Mr. Trussell the Southern Regional Council will pay five task force workers for the eight week project. We will by other means secure the additional funds.

It would be appreciated if you would send other correspondence to the Executive Director at 2505½ 5th St. Meridian, Miss. NAACP Voter Registration Project.

We hope the bank card will reach your office not later than Monday August 8, 1966.

Very truly yours,

Johnny Barbour Jr.
Johnny Barbour, Jr.
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

JB/mlh

National Association
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Meridian Branch Office
2505½-Fifth Street
MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI 39301
Phone 485-5481

August 10, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan
Southern Regional Council
Rm. 201
5th Forstyth N.W.
Alanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Our treasurer, Mr. James Bishop has opened an account with the Merchants and Farmers Bank, 517 23rd Ave. Meridian, Miss. Phone 483-2245.

Enclosed with this letter is a copy of the signature card and deposit slips mentioned in my recent letter to you.

Yours truly,

Johnny Barbour Jr.

Johnny Barbour, Jr.
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

JB/mlh

Enclosure: Signature Card
Deposit Slips

August 12, 1966

Merchants and Farmers Bank
Meridian Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $325.00 to be deposited to the account of the Lauderdale County Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 12, 1966

Mr. Ernest Trussel
President
Lauderdale County Branch, NAACP
406 25th Avenue

Dear Mr. Trussel:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the bank, b) copy of deposit slip, c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 12, 1966

Merchants and Farmers Bank
Meridian Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $325.00 to be deposited to the account of the Lauderdale County Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 17, 1966

Merchants and Farmers Bank
Meridian, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $325.00 to beddeposited to the account of the Lauderdale County Voter Education Project. Alos enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 17, 1966

Mr. Ernest Trussel
President
Lauderdale County Branch, NAACP
406 25th Avenue
Meridan, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Trussel:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc:

National Association
For The
Advancement Of Colored People

Meridian Branch Office
2505¼-Fifth Street
MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI 39301
Phone 485-5481

August 22, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Rm. 201
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Alanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed you will find weekly forms of our report on our project, expense account forms and vouchers for the weeks of August 5 and 12.

Yours very truly,

Johnny Barbour, Jr.

Johnny Barbour, Jr.
Executive Director

JB/mlh

Enclosures: Weekly report
Expense account

August 23, 1966

Mr. Ernest Trussel
President
Lauderdale County Branch, NAACP
406 25th Avenue
Meridian, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Trussel:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Weekly Reports of August 5, and August 12. Mr. Jordan, in his letter to you of July 26 indicated that your reports are due on a weekly. For the continued successfully operation of your Project, it is necessary that these reports be submitted on a weekly basis.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

We are always eager to fund our Projects. Please do not hesitate to write us if we can be of further service.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
cc: Mr. W. C. Patton
Mr. Charles Evers
Encls:

August 23, 1966

Merchants and Farmers Bank
Meridian, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $300.00 to be deposited to the account of the Lauderdale County Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

National Association
For The
Advancement Of Colored People

Meridian Branch Office
2505½-Fifth Street
MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI 39301
Phone 485-5481

August 24, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Rm. 201
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Alanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

This is to acknowledge your letter of August 23, 1966 to Mr. Trussel concerning the reports being submitted to your office weekly. It is my responsibility to get all reports to the Southern Regional office promptly. My reason for sending the August 5 and 12 reports at the same time was we did not receive the report blanks until the week ended, August 19. The reports for the following weeks will be in your office promptly on time.

Enclosed you will find vouchers and report slips for two weeks, the weeks of August 19 and 26. I beleive that this will bring our reports up to date.

The address of our office is 2505½ 5th Street, Meridian, Miss.

Sincerely yours,

Johnny Barbour Jr

Johnny Barbour, Jr.
Executive Director

JB/mlh

Enclosures: Vouchers
Report slips

August 29, 1966

Mr. Johnny Barbour, Jr.
Director
Lauderdale County Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project
2505½ 5th St.
Meridian, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Barbour:

Thank you for your letter of August 24.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 29, 1966

Merchants and Farmers Bank
Meridian, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $300.00 to be deposited to the account of the Lauderdale County Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 29, 1966

Mr. Ernest Trussel
406 - 25th Avenue
Meridan, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Trussel:

I want to reiterate what I said on the long distance call relative to getting in weekly reports to Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director Voter Education Project in Atlanta, Georgia. The continuation of your project receiving funds is depended upon promptness and accuracy of your reports.

Lack of promptness and in-accuracy may stand in the way of your receiving funds in the future.

Please take it upon yourself personally to see that these reports are gotten in immediately.

Yours truly,

W. C. Patten

WCP:mi

National Association
For The
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Meridian Branch Office
2505½-Fifth Street
MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI 39301
Phone 485-5481

September 1, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Rm. 201
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Alanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed you will find the report and vouchers for the week of August 29-September 2, 1966.

Sincerely yours,

Johnny Barbour Jr

Johnny Barbour, Jr.
Executive Director

JB/mlh

September 6, 1966

Mr. Johnny Barbour, Jr.
Director
Meridian Branch, NAACP
VoteraEducation Project
2505½ Fifth St.
Meridian, Mississippi 39301

Dear Mr. Barbour:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

May we have some additional deposit slips.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 6, 1966

Merchants & Farmers Bank
Meridian, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $156.15 to be deposited to the account of the Lauderdale County Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

National Association
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Meridian Branch Office
2505½-Fifth Street
MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI 39301
Phone 485-5481

September 9, 1966

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Mr. Thaddus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council Inc.
5 Forsyth Street N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed you will find the following: Report Blanks, for September 5-9, 1966, Vouchers and Receipts and additional Deposit Slips.

Sinserely yours,

Johnny Barbour Jr.
Johnny Barbour Jr., Executive Director

Encl: IV

National Association
For The
Advancement Of Colored People

Meridian Branch Office
2505½-Fifth Street
MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI 39301
Phone 485-5481

September 15, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street , N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Mr. Olive:

Enclosed you will find the reports and Vouchers for the week of September 12-16, 1966.

Yours truly,

Johnny Barbour Jr.

Rev. Johnny Barbour Jr.
Executive Director

JBJ/cmb
Encl: II

September 19, 1966

Mr. Johnny Barbour, Jr.
Director
Lauderdale County Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project
2505½ 5th Street
Meridian, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Barbour:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 19, 1966

Merchants and Farmers Bank
Meridian, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $145.00 to be deposited to the account of the Lauderdale County Voter Education Project.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

BUDGET REVISION: Lauderdale County Branch, NAACP

VEP 66-82 Report due Tuesday of each week

8 Week Program August 1 to September 23, 1966

Director @ $25. per week	$200.00	
(4) Task Force Workers @ $15. per week	600 — ~~840.00~~	
Transportation	~~500.00~~	250.00
Office Supplies	50.00	
Telephone	50.00	
Postage and Printing	50.00	
		~~$1700.00~~
RENT	100 —	1300 —

balance for rent

cc: Charles Evers
W. C. Patton

$1,700.00 for 8 wks

Note new branch address enclosed

cc. Charles Evers

September 20, 1966

Mr. Johhny Barbour, Jr.
Director
Lauderdale County Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project
2505½ 5th Street
Meridian, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Babbour:

It has been a pleasure and privilege to have your proposal in our files. May I congradulate you and other members of your Branch for a job well done.

Mr. Wall, in his letter of July 26, 1966 mentioned certain reports that are required. May I remind you that as you bring your program to an end, that this report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. May we have this at your earlies convenience.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 29, 1966

Merchants and Farmers Bank
Meridian, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $73.85 to be deposited to the account of the Lauderdale County Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

National Association
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Meridian Branch Office
2505½-Fifth Street
MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI 39301
Phone 485-5481

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Administrative Assistant
Thaddeus Olive
3 Forsyth Street, N.W.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed, you will find a report of the voucher, for the week of September 19 - 23.

Sincerely,
James Bryant Jr.

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SEP 28 1968

November 22, 1966

The Reverend Duncan Gray
St. Paul's Episcopal Church
1116 23rd Avenue
Meridian, Mississippi

Dear Reverend Gray:

In accordance with your request, I am sending you a half dozen extra copies of our voter registration booklet. We have plenty of additional copies if you need them.

It was a great pleasure seeing you at the annual meeting. I look forward to seeing you again in the not too distant future.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

OFFICE HOURS
8:30 A. M. TO 5:00 P. M.
TELEPHONE 428-7052

RESIDENCE
118 HARRISON BLVD
TELEPHONE 428-4357

DR. B. E. MURPH
426½ Front Street
Laurel, Mississippi

STEWARD AND TRUSTEE
Greater First Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church
PRESIDENT LAUREL BRANCH NAACP
YOUTH COUNCIL ADVISOR LAUREL
YOUTH COUNCIL NAACP
MEMBER AT LARGE OF THE
National Youth Work Committee
SCOUTMASTER TROOP 420 BSA
CUBMASTER PACK 420 BSA
District Commissioner of Choctaw District
Pine Burr Area Council BSA

April 21, 1966

Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council Inc.
5 Forsyth St. N. W.
Atlanta, Ga. 30303

Daer Sir:

This is a description of the type of project we propose to conduct here in Laurel, Miss. and for which we are applying for funds. First we are planning to conduct a Voter Registration Campaign. The duration of which will be eight weeks. If time permits during the eight weeks we plan to conduct voters education which is very badly needed. We have approximately fourteen hundred people who will be going to the polls for the first time this year. We must get some instructions to these people before June or July.

The funds we are applying for will not ne used for any partisan political activites or supporting of a canidate. We have no other group working in this campaign. The name of this organization is the Laurel Cooperative Voter Registration Committee which is primarily the NAACP. We plan to work in the City of Laurel, Miss. there are approximately 5000 Negroes of voting age in Laurel. We have according to the Federal Registers report 2400 so that we still have 2600 Negroes who are not registered. Our goal is 2000 new registered voters

OFFICE HOURS
8:30 A. M. TO 5:00 P. M.
TELEPHONE 428-7052

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118 HARRISON BLVD
TELEPHONE 428-4357

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426½ Front Street
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National Youth Work Committee
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CUBMASTER PACK 420 BSA
District Commissioner of Choctaw District
Pine Burr Area Council BSA

we are going to organize a house to house campaign, this will be a City wide campaign. The Chairman of our Committees are as follows:

Chairman of the Church Committee---Rev. H. C. Clay Jr., 517 Jefferson St.

Chairman of publicity Committee--- Rev. James Chandler, 512 So. 6th Ave.

Chairman of telephone committee--- Mrs. Eberta Spinks, 623 E. Kingston

Chairman of labor organization---Mr. Sam Simmons, 613 E.14th St.

Chairman of business organization--- Dr. B. E. Murph, 426½ Front St.

Chairman of social and fraternal organization- Mr. Jesse Davis, 1110 Miss. Ave.

Co. Chairman- Mrs. Willie Jones
805 So. 9th Ave.

Chairman of transportation committee--Mrs. Naomi Moody, 913 Joe Wheeler

Chairman of speaker committee--Rev. T. D. Brown, 520 E. Kingston

Chairman of baby sitters-- Miss Helen Phelp, 214 Wheaton St.

Chairman offinance committee--Miss Cora McInnis, 124 Elm St.

Chairman of press & publicity-- Mr. James C. Nix, 620 So. 7th Ave.

Chairman of public relation--Mr. Thomas Barnes Jr. 724 So. 6th Ave.

Chairman of research & planning-- Mrs. T. D. Brown, 520 E. Kingston

Chairman of precinct operation--Mr. Mose Brown, 509 So. 5th Ave.

Chairman od youth committee-- Mr. John Howard, 803 So 7th Ave.

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DR. B. E. MURPH
426½ Front Street
Laurel, Mississippi

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The cost of the program itimized as follows:

Salaries-Director & office secretary	$50.00 per week	$400.00
Clerical office secretary	35.00 per week	280.00
Transportation		500.00
Office rent	25.00 per mon.	50.00
Telephone $30.00 per mon., $60.00, $100.00 deposit return		$160.00
Office supplies		60.00
Printing supplies		50.00
Furniture & fixture		30.00
Postage		35.00
Total----------		$1,565.00

The approximate cost for this cmapaign will be $1,565.00. The time of this campaign approximately six-hundred Negroes voted. Yes we had one Negro to run for the office of Justice of the Peace. His name was C.C. Collins. Negroes do not hold any appointive political office in our City or County. We believe that we are being received into a greater community over all particupation than previously.

B E Murph

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT (NAACP)

PROPOSED BUDGET

Period 8 weeks

Place: Laurel, Mississippi Date: April 22, 1966

			deposit to be return for telephone	
Salaries - Professional	$50.00	$50.00	$50.00	$400.00
Clerical	$35.00	$35.00	$35.00	$280.00
Travel				
Transportation				$500.00
Office Rent	$25.00	$25.00	$25.00	$50.00
Tele. & Tele.	$30.00 per mon.	$60.00	$100.00	$160.00
Publicity & Promotion				
Office Supplies				$60.00
Printing Supplies				$50.00
Furniture & Fixtures				$30.00
General (Lump Sums)				
Postage				$35.00
Total				$1,565.00

Submitted by D B Murph

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PERIOD 8 weeks

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Office Supplies		$60.00
Printing Supplies		$50.00
Furniture & Fixtures		$39.00
General (Lump Sums)		
Postage		$35.00
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Submitted by D B Murphy

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Submitted by E B Murphy

NAACP SPECIAL VOTER EDUCATION CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

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City Laurel, State Mississippi

Phone 6-9532

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Co-Chairman Mrs. Emma Shamber

Co-Chairman Dr. B. E. Murph

Secretary Miss Rosie Ann Wallace

Address 528 So. 6th Ave.

City Laurel Phone 6-2249

Assistant Secretary Mrs. Willie Lee Terrel

Treasurer Mr. Sam Simmon

Address 613 East 14th Street

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Address 913 North Joe Wheeler Ave.

City Laurel Phone 8-5144

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Address 913 North Joe Wheeler Ave.

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Office Address 316 Queenburg Ave.

Phone

Signed: Dr. B. E. Murph 426½ Front St.

Branch President

~~Miss Carolyn C. Moody~~ M E Brown

Branch Secretary

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DR. B. E. MURPH
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April 21, 1966

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Mr N C Patton
1630 North Fourth Ave
Room 407
Birmingham Ala

Dear Mr Patton:

I was not sure where this application was suppose to be sent this was not made explicit to me. At the top of the page of the guide lines, your address and Mr Jordans address appeared

I am certain you will know what to do with it

If we have failed to complete this application please inform me and we will make any correction

Sincerely
B E Murph

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

TWENTY WEST FORTIETH STREET • NEW YORK, N. Y. 10018 • BRyant 9-1400

Please direct reply to:
W. C. Patton, Associate Director
Registration & Voting
[redacted]

1630 NORTH FOURTH AVENUE
ROOM 407
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
PHONE 322-0708

April 26, 1966

Dr. B. E. Murph
426½ Front Street
Laurel, Mississippi

Dear Dr. Murph:

I want to acknowledge the receipt of your proposal for a Voter Registration Program, in Laurel, however; the proposal is not full enough in detail.

I am enclosing a sample of a well gotten out proposal to be used as a guide in writing your new proposal. I hope you will lose no time in getting this done.

Be sure to send me two copies of everything.

Yours truly,

W. C. Patton (m.x)

W. C. Patton

WCP:ml

Enclosures

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April 27, 1966

Mr. Veron Jordan
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council Inc.
4 Forsyth Street N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

I am sending this application for a Grant to put on a Voter Registration Program. I followed the guideline which came from your office. Your address was on the guideline so was Mr. Patton. I sent the application to Mr, Patton. I am sending you the report which he sent back to me saying it was not detailed. Also I am sending you the sample which he sent to me as a guideline. This does not seem reasonable if I must send an application like the one he sent me. I would like to know from you if this is correct. I used the blanks which we were asked to fill out and followed the guideline in detail as instructed.

Sincerely Yours,

B E Murph

Dr. B. E. Murph

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Mr.Vernon Jordan

Voter Education Project

5 Forsyth Street

Atlanta,Georgia (30303)

Dear Mr.Jordan;

I was wondering if you received tha application which we sent to you sometime ago.I know you are a very busy person but we would like to know if the chances for getting a grant for the Voter Registration Program were possible.We will work without a doubt and sponsor a program without help. We will be more successful with your help.

I received a guideline from Aaron Henry this morning.I am sure our application was more detached and followed more closely the guideline as proposed by the instructions which came from your office.I also observed that his grant was approved March 3,I966.

We would appreciate any light you may throw on the subject.

Sincerely,

Dr.B.E.Murph

July 7, 1966

Dr. B. E. Murph
426½ Front Street
Laurel, Mississippi

Dear Dr. Murph:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Laurel Cooperative Voter Registration Commission for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Laurel, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,530.00 for an eight week period to run from July 11 to September 2, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director @ $50.00 per week	$400.00	
Office Supplies	50.00	
Printing and Postage	60.00	
Transportation	250.00	
Telephone	50.00	
6 Task Force Workers @ $15 per wk	720.00	
Total		$1,530.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the

signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank, the Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program, a copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Friday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Mr. Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:km
Enclosure

July 14, 1966

Dr. B. Murph
486½ Front Street
Laurel, Mississippi

Dear Dr. Murph:

In his letter of July 7, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and <u>not by estimate</u>.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program began July 11, we will need reports from you on July 25, August 8, August 22, and September 2.

In addition, we will need two narrative reports from you one on August 8 and another on September 9, after your program has been completed. These longer reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

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DR. B. E. MURPH
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Aug., 22, 1966

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Mr. Vernon Jordan Jr.
5 Forsyth Street N.W.
Altanta Ga. 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan

Inclose is a request for the voter Registration Funds from the Southern Regional Council Room 201 5 Forsyth St. Atlanta Ga. I have been sick in the Southeastern Benevolent Hospital also confine to my home for a week. It has been necessary for us to remake our schedule and also to get some new workers.

Some have moved others have changed their minds and others have had other excuses for not taking a part. The date of our Campaign Aug. 21, 1966. We had to change our office which is located 426

Front St. This was quite a job getting a New office which is located in the heart of the business section of the city.

We are trying to get our telephone installed and make other necessary adjectments because of my illness.

Sincerely
Dr. B. E. Murph

August 26, 1966

Commercial National Bank and Trust Company
Laurel
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $382.50 to be deposited to the account of the Laurel Cooperative Voter Committee. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 26, 1966

Dr. B. E. Murph
426 Front St.
Laurel, Mississippi

Dear Dr. Murph:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 22. The changes in your schedule, due to your illness, and moving of the office will be made on our records. We are delighted to know that your condition has improved, and hope that it will continue to do so.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
ALBERT W. DENT, VICE PRESIDENT
MARION A. WRIGHT, VICE-PRESIDENT
JOSEPHINE WILKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT
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JOSEPH HAAS, COUNSEL
LESLIE W. DUNBAR, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA
JAckson 2-8764

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

BUDGET REVISION: Laurel Cooperative Voter Registration Comm.
VEP 66- 70 Report due Friday
"8" Week Program July 11 to September 2, 1966

Director @ $50. per week	$400.00	
~~Secretary @ $35. per week~~	~~280.00~~	
~~Rent~~	~~50.00~~	
Office Supplies	50.00	
Printing and Postage	60.00	
Transportation	250.00	
Telephone — 25	~~75.00~~	50.00
		~~1165.00~~
(6) TASK FORCE WORKERS @ $15. PER WEEK	720.00	
		$1530.00

Task Force (6) Workers

September 9, 1966

Commercial National Bank and Trust Company
Laurel
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $250.00 to be deposited to the account of the Laurel Cooperative Voter Committee. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistantt

TO/pf
Encls:

September 9, 1966

Dr. B. E. Murph
426 Front Street'
Laurel, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Murph.

Please have the person responsible for your weekly reporting to complete the section "Weekly Cash Summary." The beginning balance for your next report should be $132.50.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

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426 Front Street
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Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 23, 1966

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Gentlemen:

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Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

October 3, 1966

Mrs. Naomi Moody
Director
Laurel County Voter Registration Project
426½ Front Street
Laurel, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Moody:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your recent letter. In my letter of August 26 to Dr. Murph, I explained that because of his illness, and the moving of the office a change in the schedule was necessary.

We realize that their is much to do, not only in Laurel, but through the South; however, we will continue your project until the balance of your present grant expire. This balance is $647.50.

If we may be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to write us.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 24, 1965

Mrs. Naomi Moody
Director
Laurel County Voter Registration Project
826½ Front Street
Laurel, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Moody:

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Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 24, 1966

Commercial National Bank & Trust Company
Laurel
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Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $239.00 to be deposited to the account of the Laurel Cooperative Voter Committee. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

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Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street N. W.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Olive

We are having quite a struggle with our campaign. But we are getting some work done.

We have received $882.50 . We have made promises to our helpers as reported (6). Also we have two bad checks which I had to pick up. The program is suffering because of finance. We would apprreciate a deposite to our account.

Sincerely,

D B E Murph
Dr. B. E. Murph

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November 28, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Dr. Murph is in the hospital. He has been very low sick, but he's during much better as of now. We have sent you our report about a month ago, but we haven't heard anything from you. Will you please let me know something. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Naomi Moody
Director

October 24, 1966

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Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

December 5, 1966

Mrs. Naomi Moody
Director
Laurel County Voter Registration Project
426½ Front Street
Laurel, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Moody:

Thank you very much for your letter of November 28 in which you mention that you have not heard from us since September 23.

Please examine the enclosed copy of our last deposit, as validated by The Commercial National Bank and Trust Company on October 27. If you have any further questions, let us know and we shall try to answer them to your satisfaction.

We were sorry to hear of Dr. Murph's illness, but we are delighted to learn that he is out of the hospital.

Thank you for writing us concerning this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

December 14, 1966

TO: VEJ

FROM: TO

1. I have written to Mrs. Moody, about her weekly reports, but she doesn't understand.

2. They need the money, and they have a balance of $408.50, before this disbursement.

3. The last weekly was re-imbursed 10-27-66, with weekly.

426½ Front Street
Laurel, Mississippi 39440
December 10, 1966

Dear Sir

I am writing to let you know that I sent in a report November 8, and I haven't heard from you. I don't to seen unfair. You owe us some more money. You grant us $1,530.00 and we haven't received but $1,121.50. I would like to know what is the trouble, because I work hard every day.

I have proff that I work, and I am still working. I even went out of my way to work in some of the rual area, which I was doing before I start working for you. Please let me know if we still due any money.

I have every statement that you sent to us to let us know how much you were sending. I am asking you to please check and let me hear something, because the one's who has been working with me are angry with me.

I would like to hear from you so I can tell them something. Please answer right away. Thank you.

Sincrely yours,
Mrs Naomi Moody
Mrs. Naomi Moody Director

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December 5, 1966

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Director
Laurel County Voter Registration Project
426½ Front Street
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Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

January 6, 1967

Dr. B. E. Murph
426½ Front Street
Laurel, Mississippi

Dear Dr. Murph:

In our grant letter to the Laurel County Voter Registration Project, we included a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations, and asked that you and officers of your project become familiar with them. A recent audit of your project's reporting indicates that your organization had not complied with provisions of our Reporting Requirements, i.e., instructing the bank to mail all bank statements directly to the VEP. This oversight on your part has not faciliated our performing certain necessary auditing procedures.

As previously mentioned failure to comply with provisions of our Guidelines and Reporting Requirements may seriously jeopardize future funding by the VEP; therefore, may we have the bank statements of the Laurel County Voter Registration Project at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/pf
cc: Mrs. Naomi Moody

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January 6, 1967

Mrs. Naomi Moody
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Laurel County Voter Registration Project
426½ Front Street
Laurel, Mississippi

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Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO/pf

January 6, 1967

Commercial National Bank and Trust Company
Laurel
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $200.00 to be deposited to the account of the Laurel Cooperative Voter Committee. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Asistant
Voter Education Project

TO/pf

913 North Joe Wheeler Ave
Laurel, Miss. 39440

TO

January 31, 1967

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Mr. Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Streer, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive

The negroes of Laurel, found their voting strength during the recent election of Mayor, Mrs. Henry Bucklew.

The former Mayor Henry Bucklew had been convicted of embezzlement. He was put out of office for two months. Mr. Lonnie Meadors was elected to act as mayor.

The negro population did not beleive having guilty along with a great many whites.

During the year of 1965, when it seemed as if all the negro citizens of Jones County was in danger of having their homes burned. Mr. Bucklew spoke out against it, and offered a reward for information that would lead to the arrest of the person or persons that burned tge homes of Mr. Vernon Curry and Mr Vernon Dahimer and a great many more. The negroes of Laurel, felt he was prosecuted. The negroes votes was heavy and some that was not register voters tried to vote.

The N. A. A. C. P. Voter Registration Drive has done a good job and some of the people that the workers had tried to get to register came to us after the election to carried them down to register at the Court House so they can become a register voter.

The climate toward Voter Registration has change here in the city of Laurel, Mississippi. We will continue working untill we get every elgible male and female of Jones County registered.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Naomi Moody

Mrs. Naomi Moody & Co-Workers

426½ Front Street
Laurel, Mississippi

Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street N.W.
Atlanta Georgia

Mr. Thaddeus Olive:

I'm writting to request additional funds for the period of eight weeks.

There is so much more ground to be covered, that the time which you have given us will not allow us to cover all of this area.

If possible may we have a grant for eight additional weeks.

The Voters Education Project and the Voters Registration Project are both badly need in Laurel and Jones County.

Yours for Freedom

Mrs. Naomi Moody

Mrs. Naomi Moody

SAMPLE PROPOSAL FOR THE VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT
(NAACP)

BRUNSWICK, GLYNN COUNTY, GEORGIA

GEORGRAPHY:

Glynn County, Georgia with Brunswick as the county seat is located in the south east part of Georgia on the coastal plains bordering the Atlantic Ocean. The city is built on a peninsula which is almost surrounded by deep salt-water streams, making the location unusual healthful, at the same time offering shipping and commerical advantages that are unsurpassed. Brunswick, the county seat is 78 miles south of Savannah, Georgia by highway, and 77 miles north of Jacksonville, Florida. It is located 275 miles from Atlanta, the capital of the state. It has an area of 26.4 miles with a total street mileage of 85 with 60 miles paved. Glynn County's flat sandy soil has an elevation ranging from sea level to 40 feet and an average altitude of 14 feet. The climate of Brunswick and Glynn County, because of the nearness of the Gulf Stream is a mingling of subtropical and temperate. The average annual temperature is 68.4 degree and the average yearly rainfall is 50.2 inches.

HISTORY:

The history of Brunswick and the surrounding area of Glynn County is closely interwoven with the struggles among France, Spain and England for domination in North America and during the almost four centuries of its existence, the flags of five nations have flown over the historic section. The first white settlement in Georgia was made just north of Brunswick in 1566, by the Spanish under Menendez de Avilles. The first settlement by English speaking people was established in 1736 by James Edward Oglethrope. The present site of the city of Brunswick was laid out in 1771 by the Colonial Council of the Royal Province of Georgia, and named in honor of King George III of England, who was of the House of Brunswick.

HEALTH:

Glynn County was the first county in the State of Georgia to establish a full time health department under the direction of a trained, public-health physician. This county has attraceted national attention in its control of its contagious and infectious diseases, as well as its reductions in death rates. It has a modern health center and 217 bed hospital.

EDUCATION:

Its educational system is older than the National Constitution. Organized on county unit plan providing for consolidates schools. The system is one of four systems in Georgia. There are 14 public schools include two Senior High and four Junior High schools. The number of pupils enrolled in public school---12,072, in parochial schools--552. The number of teachers in public schools--502.

There is a modern science center opened in 1963, as the part of the Glynn County School System. A Junior College was opened Sept., 1964.

TRANSPORTATION:

Transportation is provided by two railway lines, two major air lines, two bus lines and four trucking compaines. It is served by a network of highways connecting it to all parts of the country.

PORT AND INDUSTRY:

The Port of Brunswick offers modern facilities for handling of general and bulk cargo, for import, export and coastwide shipments.

There are seventy-five manufacturing and processing establishments with principal outputs of wood products, fresh and frozen sea foods, garments, chemicals, wallboard, plaster and gypsum.

PUBLICITY:

Its news media consist of two newspapers, two radio stations. One of its main attractions is its well-published resort area that offers a variety of amusements and recreation.

POPULATION AND LABOR:

The population of Glynn County is approximately--49,319. Negroes comprise 30 per cent of the population. Although the medium income for this area is $4,793; a recent survey shows that better than 29.4 per cent of the families in this area have an income of less than $3,000 a year and among this group there are 564 families with an income of less than $1,000 per year. Negroes comprise the largest percentage of this low income group. Of the 15,974 civilian labor force 14,8 per cent are unemployed or hold jobs in the very low income scale. The prevailing wage in this area of low income job is $18 to $30 for a 48 to 50-hour week. This low prevailing wage prevent many persons from having even the bare necessities of life.

The total number of persons 18 years or over total -- 31,436. Of this group 34.1 per cent has less than an eighth-grade education. Negroes make up more than 52.4 per cent of this 10,372 person group.

HOUSING:

Of the 3,379 substandard housing units out of a total of 13,359 units more than 70 per cent of these, are occupied by Negroes.

The war time years brought with it an influx of persons of low income and educational standards who do not realize that the use of their voting privileges could change many of their ills of low income and substandard living. Because of the sense of fear that has come through prior intimidation and the lack of training, as to the value of the ballot, and their rights under law; they have not shouldered the full responsibility of true citizenship.

It is the purpose of this project to reach this better than 5,500 unregistered Negroes in this county to get them to become registered voters and to train them in their rights and responsibilities as set forth in the constitution of the United States and the laws of their state and local government.

METHODS:

1. Preplanning period to enlist and indoctrinate workers for project.

2. Checking of the registration list to determine who are registered voters.

3. Door to door canvass to contact unregistered voters and those persons who have been purged from the list for lack of participation in required number of election.

4. Use of local news media to stimulate interest and participation of all citizens of the community in this registration drive.

5. Special mass meetings in the various areas to inform the people of the purpose of workings of the proposed program.

6. The setting up of incenitive prizes for registration workers in an effort to get all the community organizations to participate in VOTER'S REGISTRATION.

7. The furnishing of necessary transportation for individuals desiring to register.

8. The setting up of places of registration in the outlying community during the evening periods of the day.

9. The stationing of a person or personnel at the local registration places to encourage the people entering these places on other businesses to use this opportunity to get their names on the registration list.

METHODS: Cont'd.

10. The setting up of classes in citizenship training in various sections of the county.

This project will be under the auspices of a special committee whose duty will be to see that the program is carried out according to guide lines as set down by the VOTER'S EDUCATION PROJECT of the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL.

THIS COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF:

Chairman, Co-chairman, Secretary, Assistant Secretary and Treasury.

Note: Attached Sheet 1A

Will handle the receipt and distribution of all funds granted to this project. Will act as a watch-dog committee of the overall operation of this project.

Paid personnel will consist of a director, to administer program and co-ordinate all efforts to this project. A secretary to handle all correspondence communications and necessary bookkeeping chores. Instructors to handle the classes in citizenship education.

Note: Attached Sheet 2A

COST:

The expected cost of the program will be

Note: Attached Sheet 1B

This program is to cover a proposed period of eight (8) weeks

Note: Attached Sheet 2B

BACKGROUND:

The present political picture in this county is very confused and unstable with several factions in the community vying for power. In the City of Brunswick, the County seat, with its Commission-Manager form of government, the Negro voters do hold the balance of the power and during the time of referendum and elections they are wooed with all types of propositions and promises. Unfortunately, there are still those Negro hirelings who for a price, work during this period, to influence the vote regardless of the harm that is done to the masses by unscrupulous men seeking power, disregarding the effect that it has upon the living conditions and status of the Negro in the community.

During the last election approximately 74 per cent of the approximate 2,500 registered Negro voters took part in the election. Negroes have been running for public offices since 1961, the only win being a defeat of two white candidates by Rev. Julius C. Hope in the Democratic Primary of October 27, 1964. Although the winning candidate in the Democratic Primary, he never received the public endorsement of the local party. He was defeated by a staunch segregationist, Reginald Holtzendorff, in the December 1st, general election. This election had the largest turnout of voters in the history of this community, but on the day of election it had definitely turned into a race issue, instead of a contest between candidates. In the last past election there were two Negroes and one white candidate in the city commissioner's race. The white candidate won the seat for the unexpired term of a commissioner who had resigned during a rash of resignations of key personnels connected with city government. One Negro has been appointed to each of the following boards: Welfare, Park and Tree, Port Warden, Jury Commission / three to the Board of Deputy Registrar.

Note: Attached Sheet 4A

No Negroes have been appointed to the important boards of the Education, Housing and Joint planning; although, a number of vacancies has occurred in the past several years.

ACTING ORGANIZATIONS IN THE COMMUNITY:

Department of Voter's Education, N.A.A.C.P., Democratic Club and Glynn County Leadership Council.

REGISTRATION:

Registration hours in this community are from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., Mondays through Fridays, at the Municipal Building and the County Courthouse. Special registration upon request has been set up during the hours between 7 and 9 p.m. at special place of registration during previous registration drives. The registration figure stands at approximately 11,500 for the whole county, Negroes comprising 32 per cent of the over-all group. Community interest and fully citizenship participation has been increased by the wide publicity given the unstable condition of the local government and through the weekly broadcast sponsored by the N.A.A.C.P. known as the "The Voice Of the People".

We believe a registered and informed voting conscious public, can accomplish with greater ease and lasting effect; many of the things that it has taken years to accomplish through demonstrations and expensive court suits. With this in mind we pledge all our energy and know how to the execution of this project.

Leake County Branch NAACP
Route 3, Box 243
Carthage, Mississippi
May 17, 1966

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MAY 23 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

This is a request for funds to conduct a voter registration campaign in Leake County Mississippi. Here in Leake County, of the 45 per cent Negro population only about 800 are registered to vote, due to the fact that the local community is unable to bear the financial burden of conducting a campaign sufficient to do the job.

We would like to conduct a 10-week campaign. The following expenses must be met to carry on the campaign.

Twenty workers (College and High School graduates) @ $15.00 per week - 3,00.00.

Automobile and Bus transportation	$25.00 per week	$225.00
Drivers for Bus and Automobiles	25.00 " "	225.00
Program coodinator	25.00 " "	225.00
Radio Advertisment		100.00
Telephone		30.00
Stationery		50.00
Postage		50.00
Miscellaneous		50.00
		$955.00
	TOTAL	$3,955.00

Mrs. Winson Hudson
Mrs. Winson Hudson, President
Mrs. B. E. McDonald, Secretary
Leake County Branch NAACP
Mrs. B. E. McDonald

R3. Box 103
Carthage Miss
July 22nd 1966

Mr Vernon Jordan
Enclosed you will find a signature
Card and Depoite slips from the
Carthage Bank. Mr Cleo Hudson is Chairman off the
Leake County Voters Compaign, sponcered by
The Leake County Branch off the NAACP

Yours truly
Mrs B. E. McDonald Sec.
Leake County Branch of the NAACP

Mr Cleo Hudson Address is
R3. Box 243 Carthage, Miss,

July 26, 1966

Mrs. Winson Hudson, President
Leake County Branch NAACP
Route 3, Box 243
Carthage, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Hudson:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Leake County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Carthage, Mississippi . We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for an eight week period from August 1 to September 23, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director @ $25. per week	$200.00
b)	(4) Task Force Workers @ $15. per week	$450.00
c)	Transportation	$225.00
d)	Supplies	$ 75.00
e)	Printing and Postage	$ 50.00
		$1,000.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank, the Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks

cash supply for the program, a copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Receipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Mr. Marvin Wall will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/pf

cc: Mr. Charles Evers
W. C. Patton

July 28, 1966

The Carthage Bank
Carthage, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $350.00 to be deposited to the account of the Leake County Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Winson Hudson

July 28, 1966

Mrs. Winson Hudson
President
Leake County Branch, NAACP
Route 3 Box 243
Carthage, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Hudson:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Carthage Bank, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good Luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 29, 1966

Mrs. Winson Hudson, President
Leake County Branch, NAACP
Route 3, Box 243
Carthage, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Hudson:

In his letter of July 26, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings held, people contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and <u>not by estimate</u>.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program begins August 1, we will need reports from you on August 15, August 29, September 12 and September 29.

In addition, we will need two narrative reports from you--one on August 31 and the other on September 28, after your program has been completed. These longer reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

August 12, 1966

Mrs. Winson Hudson
President
Leake County Branch, NAACP
Route 3, Box 243
Carthage, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Hudson:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Weekly report of August 6. I am returning it so that you may fill in the dates, and the check numbers. This is important for your Bank Reconciliation, which will follow.

Your immediate attention to this matter will be kindly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

August 18, 1966

Mrs. Winson Hudson
President
Leake County Branch, NAACP
Route 3, Box 243
Carthage, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Hudson:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Weekly report of August 18. Again, I am returning it so that you may fill in the dates, and the check numbers. This is important for your Bank Reconciliation, which will follow.

Your immediate attention to this matter will be kindly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 22, 1966

The Carthage Bank
Carthage, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $220.00 to be deposited to the account of the Leake County Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating t me.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 22, 1966

Mrs. Winson Hudson
President
Leake County Branch, NAACP
Route 3 Box 243
Carthage, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Hudson:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited to your account, and c) Weekly Reporting forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 26, 1966

Mrs. Winson Hudson
President
Leake County Branch, NAACP
Route 3 Box 243
Carthage, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Hudson:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 26, 1966

The Carthage Bank
Carthage, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $120.00 to be deposited to the account of the Leake County Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 1, 1966

Mrs. Winson Hudson
President
Leake County Branch, NAACP
Route 3, Box 243
Carthage, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Hudson:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 1, 1966

The Carthage Bank
Carthage, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $118.00 to be deposited to the account of the Leake County Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 9, 1966

Mrs. L. C. Hudson
President
Leake County Branch, NAACP
Route 3, Box 243
Carthage, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Hudson:

It has been a pleasure and privilege to have your proposal in our files. May I congradulate you and other members of your Branch for a job well done.

Mr. Wall, in his letter of July 29, mentioned certain reports that are required. May I remind you that this report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of the deposit slip, indicating the amount of your final deposit, and c) Weekly Reporting forms for your weekly reporting.

Please do not hesitate to write us again if we can be of further service to you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

September 9, 1966

The Carthage Bank
Carghage, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $192.00 to be deposited to the account of the Leake County Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

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September 16, 1966

Mrs. Winson Hudson
Route 3 Box 243
Carthage, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Hudson:

I am pleased to tell you that the matters mentioned in your report and letter of August 21, 1966 are being investigated by the Justice Department. You also asked about the number registered. I am told that as of the close of business on July 31, 948 Negroes had registered and that at the end of business on August 31, 401 more had registered, bringing the total ~~of~~ for Leake County to 1,439.

I hope this information is of some help. If we can be of further service, please let us know.

Best of luck to you.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

September 30, 1966

Mrs. Winston Hudson
President
Leake County Branch, NAACP
Route 3 Box 243
Carthage, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Hudson:

Thank you for your report for the period September 19 to September 24, 1966. Since you did not use our regular reporting form, I felt that perhaps you are out of form blanks, therefore, I am sending you a fresh supply under separate cover.

Thank you for your fine reports. I wish you the best of luck.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

November 28, 1966

Mrs. L. C. Hudson
President
Leake County Branch, NAACP
Route 3, Box 243
Carthage, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Hudson:

Thank you kindly for your letter of November 12. There is no need for you to thank us for voter registration funds, because we are deeply indebted to you and your co-workers for the very tremendous job you did and the sacrificial efforts you put forth in voter registration.

Though your project is now over, we will be in constant touch with you for the possibility of future programs along the lines of citizenship education. In the meantime, if there is any service we can perform, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

Asbury Methodist Church
341 CAMERON STREET
CANTON, MISSISSIPPI
39046

J. F. McREE
MINISTER

TELEPHONE
859-1245

March 31, 1966

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Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Enclosed is a proposal that we feel, in light of past experiences, reflects the desires and aspirations of The Madison County Movement. This is a proposal that we feel will do a thorough job in developing these communities. We are submitting this proposal with a budget that will do a very good job for these people in realizing their full potentials.

We also realize that due to the acuteness of the problems we face - not only here in Mississippi, but throughout the South - we feel that our budget may be cut. We are submitting a budget that we feel is very much needed to do the work in Madison County, Mississippi.

This program will be implemented through a Board of Directors, composed of nine members, who shall be elected from each Supervisory District. This Board shall be the delegate body of The Madison County Movement.

This Board shall appoint a Director who shall make bi-weekly reports to Southern Regional Council, The Board and The Madison County Movement.

The Director shall coordinate the program, doing the essential research and making reports to the above agencies. He shall assist in workshops and report sessions, and to travel to the weekly meetings and assist the leaders in their communities.

With best regards,

J. F. McRee

J. F. McRee, President
Madison County Movement

JFM:mbd

Encl.

STATEMENT OF PROGRAM
FOR
V O T E R E D U C A T I O N
IN COOPERATION WITH
THE MADISON COUNTY MOVEMENT

This program will be carried on within the geographical area of Madison County, Mississippi. There is still a very important need in the area of Voter Registration because of the rural makeup of this county. About 70% of the population is small farmers and sharecroppers. A very large percent of the people to be reached are now living on plantations. Some of these areas have hardly been worked because of lack of trained people and finance. Therefore, because of this, leadership training is a must in developing these people to reach their full potential.

We feel that voter registration alone is not enough but training people to assume the responsibilities that the vote gives them is of the utmost importance. Therefore, our goals are to train people to challenge the existing political and economic structures in this county, to take constructive steps to begin to wipe out poverty, coruptness and other evils that they carry. We intend to challenge the churches and political sub-divisions to respond to the needs of the people whom they are supposed to serve.

We will only work within the boundaries of Madison County, Mississippi. We will share what we have learned with any other group who are interested in the needs of people.

We plan to have workshops in each community and distribute literature with pictures, films and develop other materials. We plan to organize the

towns by streets, with a captain in each block. This block captain will be chosen or elected by the people that live in the vicinity where he works. He will make a report every week to an area meeting composed of a town or smaller community. Then, each week this group will meet within their supervisor district or beat and report their progress. Every two weeks there will be a county meeting with consultants to help in a workshop. There will be reports from each district or beat in the county. These reports will be evaluated and progress reports will be made and distributed to Southern Regional Council and other interested groups.

The same procedure will be used in the rural areas as in the cities and towns except street or block captains there will be community captains or leaders.

Madison County, until Federal Registrars were sent, had less than 1% of the Negro population registered with 72% of the county Negro. There were 110% of the white population registered or all whites of voting age. There are about 12,000 eligible Negroes of voting age in the county. Of this number about 4,500 are registered. There are about 5,500 whites, all registered.

There are no Negroes holding elective or appointive positions in city or county governments. In the last election about 75 Negroes voted mostly because of harassment, intimidation, and fear of reprisal, others did not vote. Therefore, we believe these programs are of the utmost importance to improve the conditions of the poor Negro and poor white.

Leadership Training:

We will attempt to draw in about twenty people from around Madison County and provide them training so that they can become teachers or leaders for local workshops, which will attempt to cope with the various social,

economic, and political problems that face the Negro in Mississippi today. This type of leadership is needed so that we can progress beyond merely a paper equality to a true equality of opportunity, and by educated participation in the community bring about change for the uplifting of the total life of the community. To do this, we will have two successive week-ends of intensive workshops for these leaders, bringing in some outside consultants, and utilizing the best local personnel and information available. Beyond this, weekly report sessions and supplementary training will be held.

Citizenship Education:

The twenty people who receive the training will lead workshops in their local communities. It will be their job to canvass the area and establish a weekly group in their area. Materials that will deal with the specific issues for discussion will be prepared locally, drawing upon the best available research and on the questions and comments made at the weekly report sessions. It is hoped that this program will begin to involve a significant number of people who have been relatively untouched, and that it will interest them in the development of other programs for the improvement of their communities, and that the community life will be lifted thereby. It is anticipated that these participants will encourage others to register and become informed citizens.

Voter Registration:

Voter registration will be a part of the result of the education of these small study groups, as they become involved in the outreach phase of the program. It will also be a part of the work of the leaders who will be canvassing their areas and reporting on their success. There are perhaps 6,000 unregistered Negroes in Madison County.

The functioning of this group will be primarily in Madison County, although some of the leaders may feel lead to venture into nearby areas such as Southern Yazoo County, and reach out into these undeveloped areas.

It is hoped that this can be a five month program, preparing for the greatest possible participation in the November elections. Given the possibility of new state laws concerning elections, redistricting, etc., much work will need to be done to have an informed electorate. It is also hoped that these workings can develope a solid sense of community involvement so that the 1967 election participation can be as broad and deep as possible.

BUDGETED EXPENSES

We propose that our expenses for operation from April 18, 1966 to September 18, 1966, or in any case for a five month period, will be approximately as follows:

Personnel:

Executive Director (Rate of $75.00 per week)	$ 1,725.00	
Secretarial and Clerical Help	1,000.00	
Workers (4 from each of 5 dist. @ $35 per wk.)	16,100.00	
Total		$18,825.00

Consultant and Contract Services:

Travel for Consultants	$ 500.00	
Personnel Training	250.00	
Total		750.00

Travel:

Transportation of Personnel and equipment	$ 350.00	
Telephone Expenses	300.00	
Total		650.00

Space Costs and Rentals:

Office Rental and Equipment Rental (Film, typewriters, etc.)	$ 500.00	
Literature and Printing	350.00	
Total		850.00
GRAND TOTAL		$21,075.00

Asbury Methodist Church
341 Cameron Street
Canton, Mississippi
39046

J. F. McRee
Minister

Telephone
859-1245

April 27, 1966

RECEIVED
MAY 1 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Enclosed is a proposal that we feel, in light of past experiences, reflects the desires and aspirations of The Madison County Movement. This is a proposal that we feel will do a thorough job in developing these communities. We are submitting this proposal with a budget that will do a very good job for these people in realizing their full potentials.

We also realize that due to the acuteness of the problems we face - not only here in Mississippi, but throughout the South - we feel that our budget may be cut. We are submitting a budget that we feel is very much needed to do the work in Madison County, Mississippi.

This program will be implemented through a Board of Directors, composed of nine members, who shall be elected from each Supervisory District. This Board shall be the delegate body of The Madison County Movement.

This Board shall appoint a Director who shall make bi-weekly reports to Southern Regional Council, The Board and The Madison County Movement.

The Director shall coordinate the program, doing the essential research and making reports to the above agencies. He shall assist in workshops and report sessions, and to travel to the weekly meetings and assist the leaders in their communities.

With best regards,

J. F. McRee, President
Madison County Movement

JFM:mbd

Encl.

STATEMENT OF PROGRAM
FOR
V O T E R E D U C A T I O N
IN COOPERATION WITH
THE MADISON COUNTY MOVEMENT

This program will be carried on within the geographical area of Madison County, Mississippi. There is still a very important need in the area of Voter Registration because of the rural makeup of this county. About 70% of the population is small farmers and sharecroppers. A very large percent of the people to be reached are now living on plantations. Some of these areas have hardly been worked because of lack of trained people and finance. Therefore, because of this, leadership training is a must in developing these people to reach their full potential.

We feel that voter registration alone is not enough but training people to assume the responsibilities that the vote gives them is of the utmost importance. Therefore, our goals are to train people to challenge the existing political and economic structures in this county, to take constructive steps to begin to wipe out poverty, coruptness and other evils that they carry. We intend to challenge the churches and political sub-divisions to respond to the needs of the people whom they are supposed to serve.

We will only work within the boundaries of Madison County, Mississippi. We will share what we have learned with any other group who are interested in the needs of people.

We plan to have workshops in each community and distribute literature with pictures, films and develop other materials. We plan to organize the

towns by streets, with a captain in each block. This block captain will be chosen or elected by the people that live in the vicinity where he works. He will make a report every week to an area meeting composed of a town or smaller community. Then, each week this group will meet within their supervisor district or beat and report their progress. Every two weeks there will be a county meeting with consultants to help in a workshop. There will be reports from each district or beat in the county. These reports will be evaluated and progress reports will be made and distributed to Southern Regional Council and other interested groups.

The same procedure will be used in the rural areas as in the cities and towns except street or block captains there will be community captains or leaders.

Madison, until Federal Registrars were sent, had less than 1% of the Negro population registered with 72% of the county Negro. There were 110% of the white population registered or all whites of voting age. There are about 12,000 eligible Negroes of voting age in the county. Of this number about 4,500 are registered. There are about 5,500 whites, all registered.

There are no Negroes holding elective or appointive positions in city or county governments. In the last election about 75 Negroes voted, mostly because of harassment, intimidation, and fear of reprisal, others did not vote. Therefore, we believe these programs are of the utmost importance to improve the conditions of the poor Negro and poor white.

Leadership Training:

We will attempt to draw in about twenty people from around Madison County and provide them training so that they can become teachers or leaders for local workshops, which will attempt to cope with the various social,

economic, and political problems that face the Negro in Mississippi today. This type of leadership is needed so that we can progress beyond merely a paper equality to a true equality of opportunity, and by educated participation in the community bring about change for the uplifting of the total life of the community. To do this, we will have two successive week-ends of intensive workshops for these leaders, bringing in some outside consultants, and utilizing the best local personnel and information available. Beyond this, weekly report sessions and supplementary training will be held.

Citizenship Education:

The twenty people who receive the training will lead workshops in their local communities. It will be their job to canvass the area and establish a weekly group in their area. Materials that will deal with the specific issues for discussion will be prepared locally, drawing upon the best available research and on the questions and comments made at the weekly report sessions. It is hoped that this program will begin to involve a significant number of people who have been relatively untouched, and that it will interest them in the development of other programs for the improvement of their communities, and that the community life will be lifted thereby. It is asticipated that these participants will encourage others to register and become informed citizens.

VOTER REGISTRATION:

Voter registration will be a part of the result of the education of these small study groups, as they become involved in the outreach phase of the program. It will also be a part of the work of the leaders who will be

canvassing their areas and reporting on their success. There are perhaps 4,000 unregistered Negroes in Madison County.

The functioning of this group will be primarily in Madison County, although some of the leaders may feel led to venture into nearby areas such as Southern Yazoo County, and reach out into these undeveloped areas.

It is hoped that this can be a five month program, preparing for the greatest possible participation in the November elections. Given the possibility of new state laws concerning elections, redistricting, etc., much work will need to be done to have an informed electorate. It is also hoped that these workings can develope a solid sense of community involvement so that the 1967 election participation can be as broad and deep as possible.

BUDGETED EXPENSES

We propose that our expenses for operation from May 18, 1966 to October 18, 1966, or in any case for a five month period, will be approximately as follows:

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VEP-71

July 8, 1966

The Reverend J. F. McRee
President
Madison County Movement
Asbury Methodist Church
341 Cameron Street
Canton, Mississippi 39046

Dear Mr. McRee:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Madison County Movement to conduct a voter registration campaign in the Madison County area. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,000 for an 8-weeks program to run from July 11 to September 2, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's salary	$ 400.00
Secretary's salary	280.00
6 Task Force Workers @ $15.00 per week	720.00
Supplies	100.00
Telephone	75.00
Transportation	300.00
Printing and Postage	25.00
	$2,000.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank, the Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program, a copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: (a) number of persons registered, (b) mthod used in getting persons to the registration office, (c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, (d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, (e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, (f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds are not to be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/mmj
Enclosures

July 14, 1966

The Reverend J. F. McRee
President
Madison County Movement
Asburg Methodist Church
341 Cameron Street
Canton, Mississippi 39046

Dear Reverend McRee:

In his letter of July 8, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and <u>not by estimate</u>.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program began July 11, we will need reports from you on July 25, August 8, August 22, and September 5.

In addition, we will need two narrative reports from you one on August 8 and another on September 9, after your program has been completed. These longer reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers, and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from with or from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers ;in your program. The comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
VotersEducation Project

MW/pf

Madison County Movement
505 South Union Street
Canton, Mississippi.

Phone 859-1904

July 15,1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive Jr.
Southern Regional Council;Inc
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Sir:

We the members of the Madison County Movement have open an Account with the Canton Exchange Bank, Canton, Miss, the Following Persons have been appointed by Rev. J. F. McRee, Rev. S. M. Taylor, Pastor of St. Paul A. M. E. Zion Church, and Mrs. Annie Devine, who heads the Freedom Democrat Party,these person are well qualified. You will find inclose signature card which will give you the Title of account; We just receive your letter Tuesday July 12th,1966, Since that time we have gotten buisy and started the ball rolling.

We have appointed the following persons as Recruiters to go through out the County of Madison and find those people who has not Register and encourage them to meet the Federal Registar Saturday July 16th,; These are the names of the Recruiters. Mr. William Jefferson, Rte 3 Box 79, Canton, Miss., Mr. Bonnie Parrot, P.O.Box 14, Flora, Miss. , Mr. Claude Moore, P. O. Box 43, Sharon, Miss., Mr. James McRee, Cameron St, Canton, Miss., Mr. Larry Fleming, South Union St, Canton, Miss.

They are working hard to meet the Federal Registar in Canton, Saturday,.,We going to get in touch with the U. S. Attorney General,May be we could get him to send a Federal Registar at least twice a month. We tried to get two Title Account cards,but the Bank only gave us one. So I am asking you to please send it back after checking it. We will have to return this card to the Bank before we can write any checks. All Checks will be sign by the names on the Card, there will be a strict record kept, every thing will be paid by checks, and all so a Statment for every penny used.

We hope to send in a good report to you by July 22,1966, We trust this letter will meet your approval,you can get in touch with the Canton Exchange Bank.

May I hear from you by Return Mail

Very Truly Yours

S. M. Taylor

Rev.) S. M. Taylor

July 22, 1966

The Reverend S. M. Taylor
505 South Union Street
Canton, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Taylor:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 22, 1966

Canton Exchange Bank
Canton, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $500.00 to be deposited to the account of the Madison County Movement. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. S. M. Taylor

August 9, 1966

The Reverend S. M. Taylor
Chairman Voter Education Project
Madison County Movement
505 S. Union St.
Canton, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Taylor:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your financial report of July 26 to August 8. I am returning it so you may place it on the enclosed forms that you were sent from this office at the time of your funding.

For all expenditures other than salaries, please submit supporting document i.e. invoices, petty cash receipts, etc. May we have your report at your earliest convenience so that your project may be funded.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administration Assistant

TO/pf

August 19, 1966

The Reverend S. M. Taylor
Chairman Voter Education Project
Madison County Movement
505 S. Union St.
Canton, Mississippi:

Dear Mr. Taylor:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

August 19, 1966

Canton Exchange Bank
Canton
Mississippi

Gentlemen: 500

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $490.00 to be deposited to the account of the Madison County Movement. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
ALBERT W. DENT, VICE PRESIDENT
MARION A. WRIGHT, VICE-PRESIDENT
JOSEPHINE WILKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT
RUFUS E. CLEMENT, VICE-PRESIDENT
RAYMOND M. WHEELER, CHAIRMAN, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
JOSEPH HAAS, COUNSEL
LESLIE W. DUNBAR, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA
JAckson 2-8764

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

BUDGET REVISION: MADISON COUNTY MOVEMENT

VEP 66- 71 Report due Monday

"8" Week Program July 11 to September 2, 1966

Director @ $50. per week		$400.00	
Secretary @ $35. per week		280.00	
(6) ~~X~~ Task Force Workers @ $15. per week		~~480.00~~	720
Supplies	-50	~~150.00~~	100
Telephone	-50	~~125.00~~	75
Transportation	-150	$50.00	300
Printing and Postage	-75	~~100.00~~	25
			~~$1985.00~~
Rent —		100.00	
			~~1900~~.00
			$2000.00

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Madison County Movement
Rev. J. F. McRee, President
Rev. S. M. Taylor, V. E. P. Chairman
505 South Union Street
Canton, Mississippi.

September 4,1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Southern Regional Council,Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Thaddeus Olive:

I am a few days late with my report; My delay I was trying check with all of the workers before I could make my report,; We are trying to make a nother big drive before the 24th of this monts.

Sincerely Yours

S. M. Taylor

S. M. Taylor V. E. P. Chairman

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The Madison County Movement
505 South Union Street
Canton, Mississippi.

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Sept 14,1966

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Mr. Thaddeus Olive
5 Forsyth Street N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Sir:

You will find enclose Bank Statements for Second Grant, Check No.1,2,3,4,5,6,. Those checks was written August 24,1966-----Checks No.7,8,9,10,11,12;13,14,15, Will be in the September Statements, because they was no written until August 30,1966. I am sure you will understand this.

Yours Truly

S. M. Taylor

Rev.) S. M. Taylor, V.E.P. Chairman

November 8, 1966

Canton Exchange Bank
Canton
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $500.00 to be deposited to the account of the Madison County Movement. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 8, 1966

Canton Exchange Bank
Canton
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $500.00 to be deposited to the account of the Madison County Movement. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

December 13, 1966

The Reverend S. M. Taylor
Madison County Movement
505 South Union Street
Canton, Mississippi

Dear Reverend Taylor:

I regret to say that we do not have registration figures by beats. However, I am enclosing a copy of our latest registration figures by counties. If I can be of further service to you, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

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MW ✓

December 7, 1966

Madison County Movement
505 South Union Street
Canton, Mississippi

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Mr. Marvin Wall:

Enclosed is the bank statement for Grant Number Three. We hope that our report is acceptable.

We are continuing our Voter Registration in so far as we are able to solicit unregistered people. We have found through our door to door canvassing about 150 unregistered people in the past eight weeks.

We are trying to conduct wrokshops with small groups of people, 10 to 15. These are Voter Education and community organization workshops.

It is very difficult for us to do an effective job, because we cannot keep constant when there are no funds to provide subsistence for the workers, transportation. This keeps us changing workers. This does not pose a problem for us, who work, but the people in the community do not understand the change in workers.

We would urge you to immediately release the last installment of our grant, and to let us know if we may write a new proposal for a leadership training, community organization, voter education-registration grant.

Also, we request official figures on negro registration by beat in our county. It is possible for us to get these figures for ourselves, but the process would be much longer than we feel we have time.

letter sent 12/13/66 by MWS

We would appreciate any advice and assistance you might give us. It is so very important to us, the Movement in our county that we effect a working organization for the 1967 election.

Yours truly,

Rev. S.M. Taylor

Per Taylor
859-1904

Marion County Branch NAACP
Route 1, Box 179B
Columbia, Mississippi
May 20, 1966

RECEIVED
MAY 23 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

We are requesting funds with which to conduct a voter registration campaign here in Marion County Mississippi. According to an FBI report in December of 1965, only 1030 of 3630 voting age Negroes were registered. Although the number has increased some sinde the above mentioned report, there is a tremendous job to be done by way of getting the remaining majority of voting age Negroes to become registered. Moreover, the people of our local community are financially unable to sufficiently support such an endeavor.

The FBI also reports that in December of 1965 the voting age whites in Marion County numbered 8997 and almost all were registered. It is readily apparent that we must promote a good campaign to correct this discrepancy among our people and to encourage democracy, equality, and justice.

We would like very much to conduct an eight week campaign and submit herewith the necessary budget.

Workers (Ten for eight weeks @ $15.00 per worker per week. Workers will be college students on vacation)	$1200
Automobile and bus transportation	96
Drivers for bus and automobiles	96
Program coordinator	96
Radio advertisement	43
Telephone	12
Stationery	20
Postage	20
Miscellaneous	20
Total	1603

We shall be deeply appreciative of a favorable reply from you.

Yours truly,

Rev. E. Patten

Rev. Ezra Patten, Pres.

Mrs. Nellie Echols

Mrs. Nellie Echols, Sec.

P. S. Additional items

I There will be two black workers in the city of Columbia.

II Our checking account is with the Columbia Bank on Main Street in Columbia and is in the name of;

Marion County Branch NAACP
Ezra Patton, President
Mrs. Nellie Echols, Secretary
Mrs. Onetta Jackson, Treasurer

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(Additional charges required for these services)

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DATE DELIVERED 7-21-66

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NAME OF SENDER

Vernon Jordan
Southern Regional Council

STREET AND NO. OR P.O. BOX

5 Forsyth St

POST OFFICE, STATE, AND ZIP CODE

ATLANTA, GEORGIA 303

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July 26, 1966

Mr. Ezra Patton, President
Marion County Branch NAACP
Route 1, Box 179B
Columbia, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Patton:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Marion County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Columbia, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for an eight week period from August 1, to September 23, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director @ $25. per week	$200.00
b)	(5) Task Force Workers @ $15 per week	450.00
c)	Transportation	230.00
e)	Promoting materials	120.00
		$1,000.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank, the Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks

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A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Friday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

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These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Mr. Marvin Wall will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/pf

cc: Mr. Charles Evers
W.C. Patton

July 29, 1966

Mr. Ezra Patton, President
Marion County Branch NAACP
Route 1, Box 179B
Columbia, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Patton:

In his letter of July 26, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings held, people contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and <u>not by estimate</u>.

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In addition, we will need two narrative reports from you--one on August 31 and the other on September 28, after your program has been completed. These longer reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and planning future programs.

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

August 8, 1966

Mr. Ezra Patton, President
Marion County Branch, NAACP
Route 1 Box 179B
Columbia, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Patton:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encl:

August 8, 1966

Columbia Bank
P.O. Drawer 352
Columbia, Mississippi 39429

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $250.00 to be deposited to the account of the Marion County Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Ezra Patton

TRAVEL VOUCHER

Name Shelton Echols
Week Ending August 20, 1966
County Marion Project Voter Registration
Miles Traveled 30 Rate $.07
Amount Due $2.10 Amount Recieved $2.10
Signed Shelton Echols

TRAVEL VOUCHER

Name Mrs. Essie Harry
Week Ending August 20, 1966
County Marion Project Voter Registration
Miles Traveled 132 Rate $.07
Amount Due $9.24 Amount Recieved $9.24
Signed Mrs. Essie Harry by SLE

TRAVEL VOUCHER

Name Louis Lee
Week Ending August 20, 1966
County Marion Project Voter Registration
Miles Traveled 30 Rate $.07
Amt. Due $2.10 Amt. Rec'd $2.10
Louis Lee

TRAVEL VOUCHER

Name C. L. Smith
Week Ending August 20, 1966
County Marion Project Voter Registration
Miles Traveled 30 Rate $.07
Amount Due $2.10 Amount Recieved $2.10
Signed Cleophus Smith

TRAVEL VOUCHER

Name Roy H Lumpkin
Week Ending Aug 20
County Marion Project Voter Registration
Miles Traveled 18 Rate $.07
Amt. Due $1.26 Amt. Rec'd $1.26
Signed Roy H. Lumpkin

TRAVEL VOUCHER

Name Samuel L. Echols
Week Ending August 20, 1966
County Marion Project Voter Registration
Miles Traveled 109 Rate $.07
Amount Due $7.63 Amount Received $7.63
Signed Samuel L. Echols

TO

Route 5, Box 206
Columbia, Mississippi
August 31, 1966

RECEIVED
AUG 7 - 1966

Mr. W. C. Patton, Associate Director
Voter Education
1630 North Fourth Avenue
Room 407
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Mr. Patton:

Please note that report forms are enclosed for the first, second, third and fourth weeks of our voter registration campaign. This is necessary to show the financial adjustments which were made in order to correct an error which was made in the first week's re-report.

First, our number two task worker, Mrs Essie Harry, carried 53 people in to register during the first week for which she was paid $12.15. At the rate of $.45 per person, she should have reee ceived $16.65. She was paid the difference this week. Second, during the same week, our number three task worker, Mr. Louis Lee carried two persons in to become registered for which he was paid $9.00. This should have been $.90. The amount of $8.10 was deducted from Mr. Lee's report for the fourth week. These adjustments were necessary in order to balance the account of our project.

As project director, all ofice expenses and my travel have come out of the $25.00 per week allocated except some extra travel during the first week and the enclosed listed office items and supplies which were purchased this week.

Our task workers are paid for their work bimonthly.

Yours truly,

Samuel L. Echols

Samuel L. Echols

REGISTRATION REPORT TO
VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Name of Project Marion County Voter Registration

Date covered by report: From August 23, 1966 to August 29 1966

Area covered by report Marion County (Registrants are from various parts of the county)

Date submitted August 30, 1966

Number successfully registered 97

Number denied registration by registrar 0

Reason

Number approached about registration 148

By canvas (give number of houses, buildings, blocks) 100 homes

By meetings (give attendance, place)

Other (specify)

Number refusing to register 0

Reason

Remarks There were no refusals but there were ten people contacted who could not be encouraged to go immediate-to the circuit clerk's office. Task workers will contact them again this week.

September 23, 1966

Columbia Bank
P.O. Drawer 352
Columbia, Mississippi 39429

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $400 to be deposited to the account of the Marion County Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 23, 1966

Mr. Ezzra Patton, President
Marion County Branch, NAACP
Route 1 Box 179B
Columbia, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Patton:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

October 3, 1966

Mr. Ezra Patton, President
Marion County Branch, NAACP
Route 1 Box 179B
Columbia, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Patton:

It has been a pleasure to have your proposal in our files. May I congradulate you and other members of your Branch.

Mr. Wall, in his letter of July 29, 1966 mentioned certain reports that are required. May I remind you that as you bring your program to an end, that this report should describe the scope and or organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your program. May we have this at your earliest convenience.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy pfoour letter, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 3, 1966

Columbia Bank
P.O. Drawer 352
Columbia, Mississippi 39429

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $350.00 to be deposited to the account of the Marion County Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

Route 1, Box 242
Foxworth, Mississippi 39483
November 27, 1969

Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
8 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

On yesterday, our local NAACP president, Rev. Ezra Patton, gave to me a letter which was a copy of one mailed from Mrs. Marilyn Adamson to the Columbia Bank here in Columbia, Mississippi. The letter requested the Bank to return the remaining $106.34 in the Marion County Voter Education Project's account by check to your office. Apparently, at least one reason for this action is because ours "is no longer an operating organization".

May I hasten to admit that we have been relatively inactive for several months. But we were hoping to use these funds beginning January 1, 1970 to help in getting the remaining Negroes in Marion County to become registered voters.

We will be most appreciative if you will consider this as a request to maintain our account with the Columbia Bank by permitting the above mentioned balance to be left and used for the above mentioned purpose. Your favorable to this request will be a tremendous asset toward adding a substantial number of the other 600 - 800 persons to our rolls.

May I hear from you in the very near future? Thank you very kindly.

Yours truly,

Samuel L. Echols

Samuel L. Echols, Director
Marion County Voter Educ.
Project

December 12, 1969

Mr. Samuel L. Echols, Director
Marion County Voter Education Project
Route 1, Box 242
Foxworth, Mississippi 39483

Dear Mr. Echols:

The copy of the letter you received from Mrs. Adamson was a form letter mailed at the request of our auditors who have asked that we close all inactive accounts. We regret any inconvenience which this may have caused.

Enclosed is a check refunding the $106.34. If you will submit a proposal for a supplementary grant to continue registering voters in your area, we will give it every consideration.

Good luck in your effort.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:ma

Marshall-Benton County N.A.A.C.P.
Rust College
Holly Springs, Mississippi 38635
May 20, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

We are hereby requesting funds to conduct a voter registration campaign in Marshall County Mississippi. Here in Marshall County only about three thousand out of a possible seven thousand Negroes over the age of 21 are regisrered to vote. There are several reasons for this, reason that apply generally to Mississippi. The most outstanding one however is that the local community is not able to bear the financial burden of a voter registration campaign that is sufficient to get the job done.

We feel that this is imperative in bringing about a condition of justice, equality, and democracy to this county, where the voting age Negro population out number the voting age white population by approximately 30%.

We would like to conduct an eight week campaign. In order to do this the following expenses would have to be met:

1. 15 workers (College Students living in the county, or ones from either or both of the Colleges in the County who could put in at least 15 hours per week at $15.00 per week).
$1,800.00

15
15
75
15
225

225
8
1800

150
8
1200

2. Automobile and bus transportation. The use of a bus and up to four privately owned automobiles, all totaling $30.00 per week. 240.00

3. Drivers (including privately owned cars $15.00 per week each. ~~700.00~~ 600

4. Program Coordinator ($250.00 per week). 200.00

5. Assistant to Program Coodinator ($15.00 per week) one who types etc. 120.00

6. Expenses of Program Coordinator including transportation, stationery, telephone, and postage. 100.00

7. Publicity (radio and newspaper) 150.00

8. Miscellaneous 40.00

Total requested

$2,350.00

We hope you will give this matter your serious consideration and let us hear from you as early as it is convenient for you. If approved in time we will operate the program in the eight week period immediately prior to August 28, 1966.

Respectfully submitted

C R Whitley

Clifton R. Whitley (Exec. Sect)

S. T. Nero/mea

S.T. Nero (President)

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TO
UEP-81

July 26, 1966

Mr. S. T. Nero
President
Marshall-Benton County, NAACP
Rust College
Holly Springs, Mississippi 38635

Dear Mr. Nero:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Marshall-Benton County Branch, NAACP, for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Marshall County, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,300 for an eight week period to run from August 1 to September 23, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary	$ 200.00
b)	(5) Task Force Workers (@ $15.00 per week)	600.00
c)	Office Supplies	50.00
d)	Telephone	50.00
e)	Printing and Postage	50.00
f)	Transportation	250.00
g)	Rent	100.00
		$1,300.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program, a copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully, and familiarize yourselves with these requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate. You should, however, strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Charles Evers

July 27, 1966

Mr. S. T. Nero
President
Marshall-Benton County, NAACP
Rust College
Holly Springs, Mississippi 38635

Dear Mr. Nero:

In his letter of July 26, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings held, people contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and <u>not by estimate</u>.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program begins August 1, we will need reports from you on August 15, August 29, September 12, and September 29.

In addition, we will need two narrative reports from you--one on August 31, and the other on September 28, after your program has been completed. These longer reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

August 22, 1966

Mr. S. T. Nero
President
Marshall-Benton County, NAACP
Rust College
Holly Springs, Mississippi 38635

Dear Mr. Nero:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Marshall-Benton County Branch, NAACp, for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Marshall County, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,300 for an eight week period to run from August 29 to October 21, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary	$ 200.00
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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/pf
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Charles Evers

Rust College
Holly Springs, Mississippi
August 31, 1966

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jordan,
We are forwarding you the information and material that you requested.

Yours truly,
L. T. Nero

P.S. Please send in any other materials that will help the Mayor program of the VEP.

September 7, 1966

Mr. S. T. Nero
President
Marshall-Benton County, NAACP
Rust College
Hilly Springs, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Nero:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 6, 1966

Bank of Holly Springs
Holly Springs, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $325.00 to be deposited to theaaccount Marshall-Benton County, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

BUDGET REVISION: Marshall Benton County Branch, NAACP

VEP 66-81 Report due Monday of each week

8 Week Program August 1 to September 23, 1966

Director @ $25. per week	$200.00
5 (~~XX~~ 1) Task Force Workers @ $15. per week	~~XXXXXXX~~ 600 – ~~600.00~~ ~~840.00~~
Office Supplies	50.00
Telephone	50.00
Printing and Postage	~~$~~50.00
Transportation	~~$10.00x510.00~~ 250.00 ~~$1700.00~~
RENT	100 –
	1300 –

balance

cc: Charles Evers
W. C. Patton

$1,300.00 for 8 wk

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cc Charles Evers

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HOLLY SPRINGS, MISSISSIPPI

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October 7, 1966

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

I am submitting a report for activities here in Marshal & Benton County.

I am very sorry that the reports have not been coming in on schedule. But our director is actuall more interested in getting the work done than he is getting the pay.

He is a darn good worker and has the program at heart, but at the age of 86 he is not concerned with the paper work.

The workers are now at the point where they want some assurance

that they will be paid. I am sure that the director can't continue to pay them from his pocket.

I am Chairman of the Committee ~~for~~ & you will please send the forms for our organization I will be glad to fill them out and get them into your office.

The girls from the College campus often go in to help Mr. Nero in getting out announcement and brochures etc. But when come to the correspondence it always gets misplaced.

But if you will send all forms to
Mrs. G. N. Reaves
Rust College
Holly Springs, Mississippi. I will see that the reports are in on time because I feel that when these poor people get out

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and work they need their money.

We also hope that you are sure when you send us a deposit slip stating that the money has been deposited in the bank.

The $162.00 that was supposed to have been deposited never reached the bank. The check all bounced and it so happened that Mr. Nero stood for the lost. I am just wondering how long he can do this.

Respectfully Yours,

Genevra Reaves

P.S. I can't submit a financial report until we get some finance. We are four week behind.

October 14, 1966

Mrs. G. N. Reaves
Rust College
Holly Springs, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Reaves:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 7. Thank you very much for supplying some much needed information concerning the Marshall-Benton Project.

Mr. Jordan, in his letter of July 26, stated that the report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. I am enclosing a copy of the Report Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourself with these requirements.

Please check with the Bank of Holly Springs because the check cleared their bank..Enclosed are copies of the complete transaction.

If we can be of further service to you, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 21, 1966

Mrs. G. N. Reaves
Russ College
Holly Springs, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Reaves:

Thank you for the very expedious manner in which you responded to my letter of October 14.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 7, 1966

Mr. S. T. Nero
President
Marshall-Benton County, NAACP
Rust College
Hilly Springs, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Nero:

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Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 6, 1966

Bank of Holly Springs
Holly Springs, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $325.00 to be deposited to theaaccount Marshall-Benton County, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 21, 1966

Bank of Holly Springs
Holly Springs, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $162.50 to be deposited to the account of the Marshal-Benton Branch, NAACP. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.'

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 21, 1966

Mr. S. T. Nero
President
Marshall-Benton County NAACP
Rust College
Holly Spring, Mississippi

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Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 30, 1966

Mr. S. T. Nero
President
Marshall-Benton County NAACP
Rust College
Holly Springs, Mississippi 38635

Dear Mr. Nero:

Thank you for your report of September 24, 1966. Your report shows 107 successfully registered. Would it be possible to get a breakdown showing the number in Marshall county and the number in Benton?

Also we have no report in our files for the period August 1, when your project began, to August 29, to beginning date of your first report. If you have this figure we would like to get it also divided between the two counties.

We also look forward to receiving your final narrative report. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

November 2, 1966

Bank of Holly Springs
Holly Springs, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $200.00 to be deposited to the account of the Marshall-Benton Branch, NAACP Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 2, 1966

Mrs. G. N. Reaves
Rust College
Holly Springs, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Reaves:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 14, 1966

Mrs. G. N. Reaves
Rust College
Holly Springs, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Reaves:

I want to express my appreciation for the careful consideration you are giving to weekly reporting for the Marshall-Benton Voter Education Project.

May I take the liberty of calling to your attention one little matter, please include the check number on your weekly report.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 15, 1966

Bank of Holly Springs
Holly Springs
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our checkin the amount of $200.00 to be deposited to the account of the Marshall-Benton NAACP Voter Education Project. Alos enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

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Route 2, Box 126
Holly Springs, Mississippi
November 25, 1966

Project

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive,

I hope you won't mind my writing you. The problem that we have created here may be completely out of your line, but I have a feeling that you can help us.

From our activities here in Benton County, we have organized an adult class. So far we are operating on our own however, this is not our major problem. Our major problem is developing a course of study for this group. This is where we thought that perhaps you could help.

We really don't know anything about adult school as such, but we have our ideas about how we would like for it to operate.

We are trying to teach some of the basic skill and at the same time the adult will be dealing with their immediate problems, their interest etc. In other words we take our clue from the adults.

Lets say we have people who say they are

interested in politics, citizenship and government. Now how can we bring in the basic skills, reading, writing, speaking, and listening, arithmetic and at the same time they are becoming acquainted with voting procedures, ASCS elections, Parliamentary Procedures, where to seek legal advise, where to go for what? Or maybe we have some people who are interested in economic power and are concerned with business opportunities, housing, loans etc, and at the same time be taught the basic skills reading, writing speaking, arithmetic and listening. You get the idea.

We thought that maybe if you could not or did not have the time that you could point out some one that possibly could direct us to certain materials or certain people who could be of some helps.

This would would make it much easier for me, since I am in school every day besides I have a husband and two Children. I do plan to stick to the adult program until we can get funded through the government. The people are enthusiastic and I am all excited.

Let us hear from you real soon.

Respectfully yours,

(Mrs.) G. V. Reaves

November 15, 1966

Bank of Holly Springs
Holly Springs
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our checkin the amount of $200.00 to be deposited to the account of the Marshall-Benton NAACP Voter Education Project. Alos enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 14, 1966

Mrs. G. N. Reaves
Rust College
Holly Springs, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Reaves:

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May I take the liberty of calling to your attention one little matter, please include the check number on your weekly report.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 28, 1966

Bank of Holly Springs
Holly Springs
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $212.50 to be deposited to the account of Marshall-Benton Branch, NAACP Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 28, 1966

Mrs. G. N. Reaves
Rust College
Holly Springs, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Reaves:

It has been a pleasure and privilege to have your proposal in our files. May I congradulate you and other members of your Branch for a job well done.

Mr. Wall, in his letter of October 14, 1966 - COO mentioned certain reports that are required. May I remind you that this report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms.

Please do not hesitate to write us again if we can be of further service to you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

MW

December 16, 1966

Project

Mrs. G. N. Reaves
Rust College
Holly Springs, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Reaves:

Thank you for your report dated December 5, 1966. A registration figure of 1,002 is indeed impressive.

Since we endeavor to keep records by county, would it be possible to get an estimate of how many of these were registered in Benton County and how many in Marshall? If such a breakdown is not possible, of course, we can divide the total between the two counties.

We have read with great interest your letter on the need for citizenship education in your area. We will be pleased to keep your letter on file for consideration during the coming year.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:nm

J D Thornton
R 1 Box 255
Anguilla Miss

PROPOSAL OF

THE SHARKEY COUNTY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

TO

THE VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OF

THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INCORPORATED

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street N.W.
Atlanta Georgia 30303

BUDGET

Directors Salary	$1500.00
Canvassers Salary	5000.00
Telephone	300.00
Office Rent and Utilities	180.00
Office Supplies	75.00
Travel Expenses	1750.00
TOTAL	$8805.00

1. Situation

The Sharkey County Improvement Association feels that there is a great need for fuller registration of the people of Said County. Sharkey is one of the so called 'Black Belt' counties of the Mississippi Delta. Of a total population of 10,738 persons, 7,491 or 69.8% are negroes whereas 3,247 or 30.2% are caccasians. Approximately 3152 negroes are of voting age: of this number, 323 approximately are registered to vote.

Many incidents of harassment such as cross burnings, economic pressures, suits unprovoked seizures and arrests have been the lot of persons attempting to register to vote. The Sharkey County Improvement Association feels that the small portion of the eligible non-white electorates coupled to the resistance of the power structure to hinder negroes from becoming full fledged citizens are sufficent testimonials to the fact that some systematic action is needed to alleviate the flight of our fellow Americans.

2. Plan

The Sharkey County Improvement Association, applicant agency has the following duty elected officers:

President: Mr. Howard Clay, labor and farmer;

Vice president: Mr. Levi Singleton, retired mechanic

Secretary: Mrs. Mamie Dell Butler

Board Members: Mrs. Adele Sims, Mrs. Alma Martin, Mr. James Smith, Mrs. Kate Brown, Mr. Will McGee, Mrs. Emma Lee Freeman,

Mrs. Maggie Clay, Mrs. America Armstrong, Mr. Lindsey D. Adams, Mrs. Lela Durkia, Mrs. Johnnye B. Flood, Mrs. Bessie Mae Brown, Mrs. Delia Thornton, Mrs. Eula Mae Hilton, Mr. Sidney Alexander.

The area that the association proposes to serve emcompasses the entire county which is rural except for three small towns. Rolling Fork, the largest of these towns, is the county seat and has a population of 1736.

The applicant agency has divided Sharkey County into five districts. The area of the five districts measures the length of proposed project shall be twenty weeks. The association proposes to hire two canvassers for each of the five districts. The canvassers, if possible, will be recruited from among the citizens of the districts in which they are to work.

3.

Canvassers will make home visits to prospective voters where they will use their ability to convince the prospective registrant that exercising the franchise is worthy of one's effort. Persons who desire to be escated to the court house by the canvassers will be provided this service. Persons who are reluctant will be visited by a canvassing team from another district.

Canvassers will be responsible to an overall project director who will assign districts of work. The director shall make a daily check on the canvassers, who will furnish the director with a daily written report of their travel accomplishments and also the names of persons who need revisiting. The director will then assign another team to visit those needing a second visit.

It shall be the duty of the director to see that follow-up visits are made. He shall also keep a daily log of the activities of the entire project. The director's salary shall be $75.00 per week.

4.

Ten Canvassers will be paid at the rate of $1.25 per hour for a 20 hour week.

Funds in addition to salaries of the director and the canvassers will be needed for office rent, telephone, postage, office supplies, utilities, and travel expense. These expenses are itemized in the attached budget.

The project is planned for a twenty week period, beginning on receipt of funds for its operation.

County Director: J.D. Thornton
Route 1, Box 255
Anguilla, Mississippi 38721
Phone No. 873-2018

TO
VEP 12

July 8, 1966

Mr. J. D. Thornton, County Director
Sharkey County Improvement Association
Route 1, Box 255
Anguilla, Mississippi 38721

Dear Mr. Thornton:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Sharkey County Improvement Association for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Sharkey County. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,375.00 for an eight week period to run from July 11 to September 2, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director @ $50.00 per week		$ 400.00	
4 Task Force Workers @ $15.00 per week		480.00	
Office Supplies		75.00	
Transportation	250.	250.00	
Postage and Printing		50.00	
Telephone		45.00	
Rent		75.00	
	Total		$1,375.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips

and the name and address of the bank, the Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program, a copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

q To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Mr. Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJJr:jb
Enclosures

July 13, 1966

Mr. J. D. Thornton
County Director
Sharkey County Improvement Association
Rt. 1 Box 255
Anguilla, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Thornton:

In his letter of July 8, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully," should be by actual count and <u>not by estimate</u>.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program began;July 11, we will need reports from you on July 25, August 8, August 22 and September 5.

In addition, we will need two narrative reports one on August 11 and another on September 11, after your program has been completed.

These longer reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

J.D. Thornton, County Director
Sharkey County Improvement Association
Route 1,Box 255
Anguilla,Mississippi 38721
July 16,1966

Mr. Vernon E Jordon, Jr.
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordon, Jr:

A separate bank account has been opened solely for deposit and disbursement of funds under this grant at the Bank of Anguilla, Anguilla, Mississippi. Enclosed are a copy of the signature card and an ample supply of deposit slips.

The Sharkey County Improvement Association Voter Education Project will begin July 18,1966 to run for the eight weeks for which it is funded due to the fact that we did not receive your letter of the funding of our project until the 13th of July. With your permission the project will run from July 18 to September 9, 1966.

Please rush the funds to us as soon as possible for the transportation funds are needed immediately.

Sincerely,

J.D. Thornton, Director

J.D. Thornton

July 21, 1966

Bank of Anguilla
Anguilla, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $375.00 to be deposited to the account of the Sharkey County Improvement Association. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. J. D. Thornton

July 22, 1966

Mr. J. D. Thornton, County Director
Sharkey County Improvement Association
Route 1, Box 255
Anguilla, Mississippi 38721

Dear Mr. Thornton:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 22, 1966

Mr. J. D. Thornton, County Director
Sharkey County Improvement Association
Route 1, Box 255
Anguilla, Mississippi 38721

Dear Mr. Thornton:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 2, 1966

Bank of Anguilla
Anguilla, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $289.00 to be deposited to the account of the Sharkey County Improvement Association. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. J. D. Thornton

August 2, 1966

Mr. J. D. Thornton, County Director
Sharkey County Improvement Association
Route 1, Box 255
Anguilla, Mississippi 38721

Dear Mr. Thornton:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Bank of Anguilla, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 10, 1966

Bank of Anguilla
Anguilla, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $147.00 to be deposited to the account of the Sharkey County Improvement Association. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls

August 10, 1966

Mr. J. D. Thornton, County Director
Sharkey County Improvement Association
Route 1, Box 255
Anguilla, Mississippi 38721

Dear Mr. Thornton:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Bank of Anguilla, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 17, 1966

Bank of Anguilla
Anguilla, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $145.36 to be deposited to the account of the Sharkey County Improvement Association. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. J. D. Thornton

August 17, 1966

Mr. J. D. Thornton, County Director
Sharkey County Improvement Association
Route 1 Box 255
Anguilla, Mississippi 38721

Dear Mr. Thornton:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the Bank of Anguilla, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO/pf

August 24, 1966

Bank of Anguilla
Anguilla, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $128.57 to be deposited to the account of the Sharkey County Improvement Association. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 24, 1966

Mr. J. D. Thornton, County Director
Sharkey County Improvement Association
Route 1, Box 255
Anguilla, Mississippi 38721

Dear Mr. Thornton:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
ALBERT W. DENT, VICE PRESIDENT
MARION A. WRIGHT, VICE-PRESIDENT
JOSEPHINE WILKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT
RUFUS E. CLEMENT, VICE-PRESIDENT
RAYMOND M. WHEELER, CHAIRMAN, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
JOSEPH HAAS, COUNSEL
LESLIE W. DUNBAR, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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BUDGET REVISION: The Sharkey County Improvement Association

VEP 66-72 Report due Tuesday

8 Week Program July 11 to September 2, 1966

Director @ $50. per week		$400.00	
Office Supplies		75.00	
(4) Task Force Workers @ $15.00 per week		480.00	
Transportation	+100	~~XXXX.XX~~	~~150.00~~ 250.00
Postage and Printing		50.00	
Telephone		45.00	
			~~1200.00~~ ~~1,300.00~~
RENT		75.00	
			$1,375.00

September 6, 1966

Mr. J. D. Thorton, County Director
Sharkey County Improvement Association
Route 1, Box 255
Anguilla, Mississippi 38721

Dear Mr. Thornton:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 6, 1966

Bank of Anguilla
Anguilla, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $169.81 to be deposited to the account of the Sharkey County Improvement Association. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 19, 1966

Mr. J. D. Thornton, County Director
Sharkey County Improvement Association
Route 1, Box 255
Anguilla, Mississippi 38721

Dear Mr. Thornton:

It has been a pleasure and privilege to have your proposal in our files. May I congradulate you and other members of your Association for a job well done.

Mr. Wall, in his letter of July 13, mentioned certain reports that are required. May I remind you that as you bring your program to an end, that this report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. May we have this at your earliest convenience.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 19, 1966

Bank of Anguilla
Anguilla, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $120.26 to be deposited to the account of the Sharkey County Improvement Association. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

Rec'd 5/19/65

WALTHA LL COUNTY BRANCH NAACP
TYLERTOWN MISS, route 7 box 37 b
REV. DOCTOR ROBERT MAGEE
SECETARY.

TYLERTOW N MISS,
5? 16/66

MR, VERNON JORDEN, DIRECTOR
VOTERS EDUCATION PROGECT
SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
5FORSYTH STREET
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303

dear MR, JOURDAN

This is a request for fund to conduct a voters registration campaign in WALTHALL COUNTY MISSIPPI. here in walthall countyonly about eight hundred of aposible three thousand over the age of 21 this due mainly to the fact that the local coumunity is unable to bear the fianancial burden of conducting a campaiign suficent to do the job.

In termes of voting age negroes outnumbers the white by 3500 with a good campaign we will soon be in position to bring justic equality and democrecy to our area.

BE MET we would like to conduct a 10 week campaign. the folling expensses must to carry oan the campaign.

20 workers a) college student who live oan plantation	@$ 15.00 per week	$2,700 .00
Automobile and bus b[illegible]ers transportation,	$25, 00 *******	$225, 00
drivers for bus and automobile	$25, 00 **********	$225,00
Program Cordinator	$25.00	$225.00
Radio advertisment		$100.00
Telephone		$ 30.00
Stationary		$50.00
Postage		$ 50.0
Miscellanoous		$ 50.00
		******* *****
	Tota	$3 7 50 .00

FROM REV, DOCTOR ROBERT MAGEE, BTH,
TYLERTOWN MISS,
ROUTE 7BOX 37 B
return if not delivered,

MR. [illegible] DIRECTOR

YOURS AS EVER

REV, DR, ROBERT MAGEE ,BTH,

Rev D R Magee

if approve let me know By return mail and i will mail the Bank Deps Slip

July 26, 1966

The Reverend Robert MaGee
Route 7 Box 37 B
Tylertown, Mississippi

Dear Reverend MaGee:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Walthall County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Tylertown, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $950.00 for an eight week period from August 1 to September 23, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director @ $25 . per week	$200.00
b)	(5) Task Force Workers @ $15. per week	$600.00
c)	Transportation	$150.00
		$950.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank, the Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks

cash supply for the program, a copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Receipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Mr. Marvin Wall will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/pf

cc: Mr. Charles Evers
W. C. Patton

T ylertown Miss. Route 7Box 37B
7.30. 66

Mr vernal Jourdan Director

Alanta G,a

my dear sir i amm sinding you my bank card and a supply of deposit slips from Tylertown bank a branch of the national bank of Jackson miss, if this does not come up to your standard please let me know by return mail.

yours as ever mmv. Rev, Robert Magee Naacp sec,

Rev Robert L. Magee
Sec,

August 4, 1966

The Reverend Robert McGee
Route 7 Box 37B
Tylertown, Mississippi

Dear Mr. McGee:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 4, 1966

Tylertown Bank
Tylertown, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $237.50 to be deposited to the account of the Walthall County Branch, NAACP, Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Robert McGee

August 17, 1966

The Reverend Robert Magee
Route 7, Box 37-B
Tylertown, Mississippi

Dear Reverend Magee:

In his letter of July 26, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Project guidelines.

A report on meetings held, people contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and <u>not by estimate</u>.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program began August 1, we will need reports from you on August 29, September 12 and September 29. You already have submitted a report dated August 5. We would appreciate getting another report from you as soon as possible on what has been accomplished to date.

In addition, we will need two narrative reports from you--one on August 31 and the other on September 28, after your program has been completed. These longer reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials used. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or from without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

August 19, 1966

The Reverend Robert McGee
Route 7 Box 37 B
Tylertown, Mississippi

Dear Mr. McGee:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 19, 1966

Tylertown Bank
Tylertown
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $129.00 to be deposited to the account of the Walthall County Branch, NAACP Voter Education Project.

Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 22, 1966

The Reverend Robert McGee
Route 7 Box 37B
Tylertown, Mississippi

Dear Mr. McGee:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 22, 1966

Tylertown Bank
Tylertown
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $104.00 to be deposited to the account of the Walhtall County Branch, NAACP Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 31, 1966

Tylertown Bank
Tylertown
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $108.00 to be deposited to the account of the Walthall County Branch, NAACP Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 31, 1966

The Reverend Robert McGee
Route 7 Box 37B
Tylertown, Mississippi

Dear Reverend McGee:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 9, 1966

The Reverend Robert McGee
Route 7 Box 37B
Tylertown, Mississippi

Dear Mr. McGee:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 9, 1966

Tylertown Bank
Tylertown
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $109.00 to be deposited to the account of the Walthall County Branch, NAACP Voter Education Project. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 19, 1966

The Reverend Robert Robert McGee
Route 7 Box 37B
Tylertown, Mississippi

Dear Mr. McGee:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 19, 1966

Tylertown Bank
Tylertown
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $104.00 to be deposited to the account of the Walthall County Branch. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 19, 1966

Tylertown Bank
Tylertown
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $104.00 to be deposited to the account of the Walthall County Branch. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 19, 1966

The Reverend Robert Robert McGee
Route 7 Box 37B
Tylertown, Mississippi

Dear Mr. McGee:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 21, 1966

Tylertown Bank
Tylertown
Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $158.50 to be deposited to the account of the Walthall County Branch. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 21, 1966

The Reverend Robert McGee
Route 7 Box 37B
Tylertown, Mississippi

Dear Mr. McGee:

It has been a pleasure and privilege to have your proposal in our files. May Incongradulate you and other members of the Branch for a job well done.

Mr. Wall, in his letter of August 17, 1966 mentioned certain reports that are required. May I remind you that this report should describe the scope and organization of your program. The number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive. May we have this at your earliest convenience.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter, b) copy od deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

FRANK H. SUMMERS, President
J. M. HOUSTON, Vice President
D. W. SIMMONS, Treasurer
MRS. MILDRED C. COSEY, Secretary
MRS. MARY M. CARTER, Ass't Secretary

Warren County Improvement League

619 Locust Street
VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI

April 30, 1966

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Mr. Thaddeus Olive, Administrative Aide
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

We are interested in the area of voter registration at the present time. According to the best statistics we have now on the number of people eligible for registration -- which is between 6000 and 7000 -- we realize that there is a definite need for a concentrated effort on our part to get as many of these people registered as possible. Our goal is 3500. We have approximately 4500 voters now. Our plan is to canvass house to house throughout the county.

The program personnel will consist of a director who will coordinate and direct the program, a secretary who will keep records of all activities of the program, six field workers who will canvass house to house keeping records of their activities and report at regular intervals to the secretary, transportation committee of 2 or 3 depending on the amount of time they can work.

For the six week campaign, our expected cost is as follows:

Director	$510.00
Secretary	300.00
Office Rent	75.00
Office Supplies	250.00
Telephone	30.00
Field Workers	720.00
Transportation	250.00
Total	$2135.00

The Negro vote is a respected factor in the political picture today in Warren County. An estimated 90% of Negro voters turned out in the last elections. No Negroes have run for city or county offices yet. No Negroes hold appointive jobs. The NAACP and the Warren County Improvement League are the most active organizations.

The current rate of registration is so slow that the Federal Registrar's office is open one day per week (Saturday).

We feel confident that with financial assistance our voter registration campaign can be re-activated to the extent that we can persuade the Attorney General to re-open the office on a weekly basis.

Sincerely yours,

Frank H. Summers

Frank H. Summers, President
Warren County Improvement League

April 6, 1966

Mr. Frank Summers
President
Warren County Improvement League
Vicksburg, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Summers:

It is indeed wonderful to know that you plan to establish a voter registration campaign in Warren County, Mississippi.

In order for us to properly evaluate your program we would need a proposal. Therefore we are enclosing our guidelines, outlining requirements for recipients of grants and invite you to submit a proposal in compliance with these guidelines, at your earliest possible convenience.

The Project will be happy to do whatever we can to promote your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Aide

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Enclosure

cc: Kenneth L. Dean

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Vicksburg mississippi
May 26-1966

Mr. Vernor Jordar, we received the Guide-line an information from you which we may Get funs which to Ride in our Drive for Voters Registration we hope very much that our Bugget are Excepted.

we has choser our Bank the first national an as soon as we here from you we will Send you all names and Sind cards which you require

Alfonso Brown President
1903 Baldwin ferry. Rd.
Vicksburg miss 39180

1903 Balwin Ferry Road
Vicksburg, Miss.

May 21, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan, Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional council,
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georga, 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan :-

This is an application for funds to conduct a Voter registration campaign in Warren county, Mississippi. Here in Warren county, we have approximately 4,500 Negroes registered to vote There are still approximately 7 thousands who are not registered.

This is due to the fact that the Civil Rights forces of this community have been unable to obtain sufficent funds to finance the voter registration project.

With sufficent funds, we could conduct a strong energetic campaign that would enable us to bring our voting strenght up to equal or surpass that of the white people of this county.

We desire to conduct a six-weeks campaign, the requirement of which will be as follows :-

Ten carefully selected local workers, (of experience and provened ability), each given an allowance of $15.00 per week, ...		$900.00
4 Automobile and ~~Bus~~ transpotation,	25.00 per week, ...	600.00
4 ~~Five~~ drivers for cars and ~~buses~~,	25.00 each per week,	600.00
Program Co-ordinator, ...	25.00 per week, ...	150.00
Printing, memographing and radio advertisment, ...		150.00
Telephone expense, ...		30.00
Stationery, ...		36.00
Postage, ...		36.00
Office rent, ...		50.00
Office full-time clerical worker,	$20.00 per week, ...	120.00
Miscellaneous, ...		75.00
	Toltle	$ 2,747.00

VICKSBURG BRANCH, NAACP, Alfonso Brown President
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July 7, 1966

Mr. Frank H. Summers
President
Warren County Improvement League
619 Locust Street
Vicksburg, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Summers:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Warren County Improvement League for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Warren County. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,280.00 for an eight week period to run from July 11 to September 2, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director @ $50.00 per week	$400.00	
4 Task Force Workers @ $15 per week	480.00	
Transportation	250.00	
Office Supplies	50.00	
Printing and Postage	50.00	
Telephone	50.00	
Total		$1,280.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the

Mr. Frank H. Summers
Page 2
July 7, 1966

signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank, the Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program, a copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is due Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit semi-monthly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the two week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Mr. Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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July 14, 1966

Mr. Frank H. Summers
President
Warren County Improvement League
619 Locuss St.
Vicksburg, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Summers:

In his letter of July 7, 1966, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. These are the reports explained on Page 3 of the Voter Education Projett;guidelines.

A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required every two weeks. It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and <u>not by estimate</u>.

A supply of forms for this type of report is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather, we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Since your program began July 11, we will need reports from you on July 25, August 8, August 22 and September55.

In addition, you will need two narrative reports from you one on August 8 and another on September 9, after your program has been completed. These longer reports should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use is especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/pf

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Warren County Improvement League

619 Locust Street
VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI

July 22, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth St. N.W.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Thanks for approval of our program. I am sorry I was out of the city when the letters arrived, therefore, I did not recieve them until I returned July 20.

We are now ready to begin work on our program.

Enclosed you will find signature card and deposit slips, and the First National Bank has been instructed to mail statements directly to SRC.

Sincerely,
Frank H. Summers, Pres.

July 25, 1966

Mr. Frank H. Summers
President
Warren County Improvement League
619 Locust St.
Vicksburg, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Summers:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

July 25, 1966

First National Bank
Vicksburg, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $300.00 to be deposited to the account of the Warren County Improvement League. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Frank H. Summers

August 22, 1966

First National Bank
Vicksburg, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $228.00 to be deposited to the account of the Warren County Improvement League. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 22, 1966

Mr. Frank H. Summers
President
Warren County Improvement League
619 Locust Street
Vicksburg, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Summers:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

August 26, 1966

Mr. Frank H. Summers
President
Warren County Improvement League
619 Locust St.
Vicksburg, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Summers:

Enclosed are our additional statistical report forms you requested.

Best wishes in your drive.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
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A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

BUDGET REVISION: WARREN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT LEAGUE

VEP 66- 69 Report due Thursday

"8" Week Progeam July 11 to September 2, 1966

Diredtor @ ~~$25.~~ 50 per week		~~$200.00~~	400.00
(4) Task Force Wrokers @ $15. per week		480.00	
Transportation	+ 75.00	~~175.00~~	250.00
Office Supplies	− 50.00	~~100.00~~	50.00
Printing and Postage	− 75.00	~~125.00~~	50.00
Telephone	− 50.00	~~100.00~~	50.00
			~~1180.00~~
			1280.00

September 21, 1966

Mr. Frank Summers
President
Warren County Improvement League
619 Locust Street
Vicksburg, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Summers:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal to the First National Bank of Vicksburg, Mississippi, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly Reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

September 21, 1966

First National Bank
Vicksburg, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $400.00 to be deposited to the account of the Warren County Improvement League. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

November 28, 1966

Mr. Frank H. Summers
President
Warren County Improvement League
619 Locust Street
Vicksburg, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Summers:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your weekly reports numbers 7 and 8. Thank you very much.

An audit of your reports indicated that your last deposit was September 21, in the amount of $400.00. However, on October 12, a deposit in the amount of $200.00 was made to the account of the Warren County Improvement League. Your report does not show receipt of this deposit. Would you check this matter, at your earliest convenience, and let me know if you received this deposit.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 12, 1966

Mr. Frank Summers
President
Warren County Improvement League
619 Locust Street
Vicksburg, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Summers:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 12, 1966

First National Bank
Vicksburg, Mississippi

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $200.00 to be deposited to the account of the Warren County Improvement Leage. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

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619 Locust St.
Vicksburg, Miss.
Jan. 14, 1967

Mr. Thaddeus Olive:

Dear Mr. Olive;

In regard to $200.00 mentioned in your letter. Yes, it was recieved but it was an oversight on my part in making my report not to have it listed. I am sure the vouchers I sent will clear that up.

Now that our voter registration has just about come to a standstill due to the winter season I am very much interested in turning to voter education at this time! It is amazing how many of our newly registered people dont know the first thing about marking a ballot.

We would appreciate a grant for this phase of our work.

Sincerely,
Frank H. Summers

Post Office Box 384
Glen Allan, Mississippi
May 2, 1966

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MAY 9 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

We are enclosing a proposal for the Washington County Improvement Association for funding in support of a voter registration drive in Washington County.

Thanks for your immediate attention and favorable consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Jake Ayers, Sr.

JASr/tb

Enclosure (Proposal)

THE WASHINGTON COUNTY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

To The

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Of The

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INCORPORATED

The Washington County Improvement Association desires to register voters in Washington County. The Greenville Chamber of Commerce states the total population of Washington County is estimated as 85,000 with 48% Negroes. It is estimated that approximately 22,000 Negroes are of voting age. Of this number it is estimated that 18,000 are registered voters, leaving approximately 4,000 who are not yet registered. We feel that during the efforts expended in getting this number registered we shall be able to inform registered as well as unregistered voters of the necessity for all Negroes to become registered voters and give examples of how the Negro vote can help to improve the economic conditions of the Negroes in Washington County.

Recent redistricting indicates a majority of Negroes residing in the Congressional district of which Washington County is a part. Presumably, it is felt that the laxity exercised by Negroes in Washington County who are qualified to vote would make it more desirable to allow a majority of Negroes in this district. We intend to exert every effort to arouse the Negro population of its possibilities for political advancement through exercising this franchise.

Community meetings will be held to explain the project. House-to-housing canvassing will be the most common method used in both urban and rural areas. Telephoning will be used where possible. Personal letters will be one means used as follow-up when needed.

In order to assure maximum particiaption and to insure that something significant is gained from monies spent, we have planned

to give token remuneration in the amount of $1.00 for each person registered. This means that the individuals working are responsible for advising the key contact persons of the name, address and time that the individual wishes to be taken to the courthouse to register. It is the responsibility of the key contact person to provide transportation to and from the courthouse as necessary. Since many people are unemployed we feel that this method will provide an incentive for total involvement and thereby reach and discover people who would otherwise not become involved.

Key contact persons will be paid at the rate of $1.25 per hour plus gas allowance. Persons will be selected based on their interest in the program and ability to communicate with people in general. Individuals participating will use whatever means they find most effective.

The entire area of Washington County will be covered. It is our goal to see that all eligible Negroes in the county are registered.

There are no political boundaries as the entire county is in some congressional district.

Geographical boundaries follow:

North - Bolivar County; East - Sunflower and Humphrey Counties; South - Sharkey and Issaquena Counties; West - the Mississippi River.

Additional funds are requested for office space, telephone, mimeographing, transportation fuel and office supplies. See attached budget.

Program Personnel - There will be one key contact person for each supervisory district, totaling five persons. An overall project director will be required who will direct the efforts of the workers and insure proper financial and statistical accounting. The salary shall be $100.00 per week. A secretary will be required to maintain financial and statistical records. The salary shall be $50.00 per week.

The applicant agency is the Washington County Improvement Association. The officers are: president: Mrs. Beatrice Coats; vice president: Mrs. Juanita Rodgers; secretary: Mrs. Annie Mae Jones; treasurer: Mr. P. D. Sherrod.

The program will be of six weeks duration. It can begin as soon as funded.

BACKGROUND

The present political picture is blurred. There is a possibility of Negroes holding many elective offices if appropriate motivation could be stimulated. Approximately 500 Negroes voted in the last city election. Two Negroes ran for City Council in Greenville in 1965. There is one Negro serving on the City Planning Commission.

Registration hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily Monday through Friday of each week at the Washington County Court House.

Based on political activity in the last election people are beginning to feel that there is a change taking place and they can become involved to a greater extent than in the past.

The project is designed to encourage maximum participation but will be operated at all times at a minimum cost.

BUDGET

Director's Salary.	$ 600.00
5 Key Contact persons ($50 per week each).	1,500.00
Secretary	300.00
Supplies	50.00
Gasoline for transportation ($85 per week)	510.00
Rent (office space and equipment).	60.00
Telephone	45.00
Remuneration for registered voters	4,000.00
Total	$7,065.00

Please reply to:

Mr. Jake Ayers, Sr.
Post Office Box 384
Glen Allan, Mississippi
Telephone: (601) 839-2441

Note: The remuneration figure will adjust according to the number of persons registered during the period covered. The project is designed to reach all persons in the community regardless of scholastic abilities. Utilizing this method, anyone who wishes to work in the project is free to do so.

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Post Office Box 384
Glen Allan, Mississippi
June 14, 1966

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JUN 17 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

This comes with reference to the proposal submitted by the Washington County Improvement Association for funding in support of a voter registration drive.

We have obtained information from sources other than the Chamber of Commerce which seems to be much more accurate than that reflected in the proposal.

We request the following changes be made on page 1 of the proposal. Delete the fourth sentence and replace with the following sentence: "Of this number it is estimated that 6,000 are registered voters, leaving approximately 16,000 who are not yet registered."

Thanks for make this change. It should be noted also that there is a greater number of Negroes of voting age in Washington County than whites.

Sincerely,

Jake Ayers/mm

Mr. Jake Ayers, Sr.

JASr/mm

TO
VEP-68

July 7, 1966

Mr. Jake Ayers, Sr.
Post Office Box 384
Glen Allan, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Ayers:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Washington County Improvement Association for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in Washington County. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,320.00 for an eight week period to run from July 11 to September 2, 1966.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director @ $50.00 per week	$400.00	
4 Task Force Workers @ $15 per week	480.00	
Office Supplies	40.00	
Transportation	250.00	
Telephone	50.00	
Rent	100.00	
Total		$1,320.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the

the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank, the Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program, a copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to SRC. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them they will be available.

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These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Research Director, Mr. Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

GREENVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

OUR 79th ANNIVERSARY

J. MILTON TAYLOR
VICE PRESIDENT & CASHIER

August 2, 1966

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forysth Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing a copy of a signature card given to our bank by the Washington County Improvement Association, together with several deposit slips, according to the letter of instructions which was given to me by the Washington County Improvement Association.

It is my understanding that an account in this name is to be opened in our bank, the money to be provided by you. We have issued instructions that all statements for this account will be mailed to you at the above address. If this is not in accordance with your wishes, please advise us.

Very truly yours,

J Milton Taylor

Vice President

JMT:em

TO ??

Post Office Box 384
Glen Allan, Mississippi
August 5, 1966

Mr. Marvin Wall
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Wall:

This is to inform you that I will not be project director of Washington County Voter Registration.

We have been quite fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. Thelma Barnes as our director. Mrs. Barnes is the most capable person in the county for this type project because of her experience and educational background. Please address all future communications to Mrs. Thelma Barnes, Voter Registration Headquarters, 830 Nelson Street, Greenville, Mississippi.

Our project started 7/25 I hope you will find it feasible to let us put this same amount of money into a six week drive. We feel that a six week drive with intense efforts and better financed can produce more than an eight week drive at this point. I am with the drive as a volunteer and we guarantee results.

Very truly,

Jake Ayers, Sr.

JASr/mm

Jake Ayers Sr.

August 8, 1966

Mr. J. Milton Taylor
Vice President
The First National Bank
Greenville, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Taylor:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $330.00 to be deposited to the account of the Washington County Improvement Association. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Jake Ayers

August 8, 1966

Mr. Jake Ayers, Sr.
Post Office Box 384
Glen Allan, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Ayers:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encl:

217 Trilby Street
Greenville, Mississippi
August 13, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed are report forms required in the Voter Education Project being sponsored by the Washington County Improvement Association. The financial reporting form is accompanied by check stubs and invoices where applicable.

We have discovered that it often required more than one visit to convince persons of the necessity of becoming a registered voter. In this regard, we are changing our tactics with the hope of getting a greater number of persons registered during the remaining part of the period.

Sincerely yours,

Thelma Barnes

(Mrs.) Thelma Barnes
Director

Re: Jake Ayers, Sr.

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Enclosures
1. Regis Rept to VEP
2. VEP Financial Report #1

August 18, 1966

Mr. J. Milton Taylor
Vice President
The First National Bank
Greenville, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Taylor:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $270.00 to be deposited to the account of the Washington County Improvement Association. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

cc: Mr. Jake Ayers

August 18, 1966

Mr. Jake Ayers, Sr.
Post Office Box 884
Glen Allan, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Ayers:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, indicating amount deposited in your account, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

217 Trilby Street
Greenville, Mississippi
August 26, 1966

Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed are report forms required in the Voter Education Project being sponsored by the Washington County Improvement Association. The financial reporting form is accompanied by check stubs and invoices where applicable.

Sincerely yours,

Thelma Barnes

(Mrs.) Thelma Barnes
Director

Re: Jake Ayers, Sr.

TB/mm

Enclosures
1. Regis Rept to VEP
2. VEP Financial Report #2

August 31, 1966

Mr. J. Milton Taylor
Vice President
The First National Bank
Greenville, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Taylor:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $323.00 to be deposited to the account of the Washington County Improvement Association. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

August 31, 1966

Mr. Jake Ayers, Sr.
P.O. Box 384
Glen Allan, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Ayers:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slip, c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

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BUDGET REVISION: WASHINGTON COUNTY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

VEP 66-68 Report due Wednesday

"8" Week Program July 11 to September 2, 1966

Director @ $50. per week		$400.00	
(4) Task Force Workers @ $15. per week		480.00	
Office Supplies	-35.00	~~75.00~~	40.00
Transportation	+100.00	~~150.00~~	250.00
Telephone	-25.00	~~75.00~~	50.00
			~~$1180.00~~ $1320.00

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217 Trilby Street
Greenville, Mississippi
September 18, 1966

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Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Olive:

Enclosed are report forms required in the Voter Education Project being sponsored by the Washington County Improvement Association. The financial reporting form is accompanied by check stubs and invoices where applicable.

Sincerely yours,

Thelma Barnes

(Mrs.) Thelma Barnes
Director

Re: Jake Ayers, Sr.

TB/mm

Enclosures
1. Regis Rept to VEP
2. VEP Financial Report #3

September 21, 1966

Mr. J. Milton Taylor
Vice President
The First National Bank
Greenville, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Taylor:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $207.00 to be deposited to the account of the Washington County Improvement Association. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

September 21, 1966

Mrs. Thelma Barnes
Director
Washington County Improvement Association
Voter Education Project
217 Trilby Street
Greenville, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Barnes:

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) copy of deposit slips, and c) Weekly Report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 24, 1966

Mrs. Thelma Barnes
Director
Washington County Improvement Association
Voter Registration Project
217 Trilby Street
Greenville, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Barnes:

It has been a pleasure and privilege to have your proposal in our files. May I congradulate you and other members of your Association for a job well done.

Mr. Wall, in his letter of May 16 mentioned certain reports that are required. May I remind you that as you bring your program to a close, that this report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers used, and techniques employed in your drive.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) Weekly Report forms.

Please do not hesitate to write us again if we can be of further service to you.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf

October 24, 1966

Mr. J. Milton Taylor
Vice President
The First National Bank
Greenville, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Taylor:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $190.00 to be deposited to the account of the Washington County Improvement Association. Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/pf
Encls:

February 15, 1967

Mrs. Thelma Barnes
Director
Washington County Improvement Association
Voter Education Project
217 Tribly Street
Greenville, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Barnes:

We are in receipt of the bank statement and cancelled checks from the Washington County Improvement Association's Voter Education Project for the month ending January.

Enclosed is a Weekly Report Form for an accounting of checks 40 - 46, with particular emphasis on check No. 46 in the amount of $100.00 payable to the Greenville Project. May we have this information at your earliest possible convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosures

cc: Mr..Jake Ayers, Sr.

SCHOLARSHIP, EDUCATION AND DEFENSE FUND FOR RACIAL EQUALITY inc.
150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, N.Y. 10038
TELEPHONE 964-8210

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April 18, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Vernon:

I sincerely regret that we were unable to meet on your last trip to New York.

We are in the process of planning a South-wide workshop on political campaigning. I would like very much to get your ideas on various agenda, resource persons, participants, etc., for the workshop.

I would like for you to send me any materials that you may have on the following subjects:

1- Strategies on voter registration (actual registration, voting potential, etc.,) for the following states, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee, Arkansas, Texas, Oklahoma.

2- Election laws for the sames states.

3- Techniques and methods of conducting effective political campaign schedules of elections (county and state.)

For the above mentioned states, five political parties (structure policies, platform personalities, etc.) A big job isn't it?

I shall be looking forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Ronnie Moore

Ronnie M. Moore
Leadership Development Director

RMM:rh

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Citizenship Education Workshop

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SEDF proposes a week-long non-partisan workshop concentrating on methods of campaigning for Negro candidates, their campaign managers, and leading workers throughout the South. The instructors will be Negro candidates who have run and won in southern states as well as others with specialized knowledge and experience.

Format

These problems cannot be solved by a one-week workshop. However, a beginning must be made:

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Furthermore, in addition to the initial workshop, we can see the need for follow-up institutes dealing with the above problem and related matters concerning political organization and citizenship education - voting - campaigning - public affairs - election laws- and political philosophies.

The participants will come from the states of Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, North Carolina, and South Carolina. If space permits, participants from the states of Maryland, Virginia, Arkansas, and Texas will be involved. Participants will be selected on the basis of involvement in political affairs, leadership potential, and community work experience. Local community groups and national civil rights organizations will be consulted regarding recruitment of participants, curricula, and selection of resource persons.

Suggested date is the last week in June or the first week of July. Present schedule of local and state elections is a factor. The tentative site of the workshop in Penn Community Service Center, Frogmore, South Carolina.

Objectives:

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V. Afternoon - Conducting A Campaign

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SCHOLARSHIP, EDUCATION AND DEFENSE FUND FOR RACIAL EQUALITY
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150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, N.Y. 10038
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RECEIVED
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June 22, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan
Voter Education Project
Five Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Vernon:

The prospectus for our proposed Citizenship Education workshop in Frogmore, South Carolina, July 20-24, 1966 is enclosed. The workshop is designed to develop in Negro candidates and potential candidates for elective office certain organizational and campaign skills. Since in most areas of the South Negroes have been deprived of the ballot, they have also not had the opportunity to develop the campaign skills so necessary in modern electoral participation.

The format is being slightly revised, and I suppose will be also revised by the pressure from the candidates. We will spend less time on the legal situation than the format indicates since the laws of the various states vary greatly. Additional emphasis will be given to get out the vote campaigns.

We feel that this is an important project within the scope of the Voter Education Project. We have budgeted this project at $8,200. We have received contributions of $5,700 toward the cost of the project from a number of sources.

We would hope that the Voter Education Project would make a grant of $2,500 to SEDF for this meaningful and important project.

Sincerely,

Marvin

Marvin Rich
Executive Director

MR:hm
Enclosure

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BUDGET *

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2.	Student Travel Estimated 18,500 miles for 15 cars covering 7-8 states at 8¢ per mile	1,480.00
3.	Faculty Travel $125 average for each person total: 10	1,250.00
4.	Information kits - pads, pencils, election booklets, campaign pamphlets, mimeograph work, etc. $3.25 per person	325.00
5.	Recruitment of participants and car rental to cover states	550.00
6.	Salary for six weeks	880.00
		$ 7,485.50
7.	Administration - 10%	748.50
	TOTAL	$ 8,234.00

* Does not include planning or organizing costs which will be assumed by SEDF

$750.00

VJ:

Looks good to me. Provided the workshop gets strong participation from Negro candidates, it could be very helpful. ~~It~~ The figure you mention sounds quite reasonable.

mw

VEP-66-76

Check in the amount of $750.00 received from VEP on

this_____day of_____, 1966.

Signed:_____
Marvin Rich
Executive Director

SCHOLARSHIP, EDUCATION AND DEFENSE FUND FOR RACIAL EQUALITY
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150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, N.Y. 10038
TELEPHONE 964-8210

June 23, 1966

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JUN 24 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Vernon:

Things on the Citizenship Education Workshop look pretty good. We have sent out letters inviting various candidates in Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, Florida and South Carolina.

However, there were addresses in the list you submitted which were incomplete. If you would look over the list again and send me the complete addresses, I will be able to send letters to those persons.

As I asked you on the telephone, would you please send me a list of office folders from the South. Have you received the names of the candidates in Virginia yet.

Last but not least, I would like you to serve as a resource person to discuss "Why Negro Candidates Lose Elections." I would like for you to attend the entire session, July 20-24, 1966. If you cannot attend the entire period, please try to make it at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Ronnie

Ronnie M. Moore
Leadership Development Director

RMM:rh

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TO

July 12, 1966

Mr. Marvin Rich
Executive Director
Scholarship, Education and Defense Fund
for Racial Equality
150 Nassau Street
New York, New York 10038

Dear Mr. Rich:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered your request for a grant to conduct a Citizenship Education workshop in Frogmore, South Carolina, July 20-28, 1966. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $750.00, to implement the citizenship education workshop in compliance with your proposal, which was submitted to us on June 22, 1966.

Our check in the amount of $750.00 is enclosed. Please sign and return the enclosed receipted carbon copy immediately.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your citizenship education workshop activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding special reporting requirements to the Project.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N.W., ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

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COMMENT

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

RECEIPT

Check in the amount of $750.00 received from VEP on this date July 14, 1966, 1966.

Signed: Marvin Rich
Marvin Rich, Executive Director
SEDF

SCHOLARSHIP, EDUCATION AND DEFENSE FUND FOR RACIAL EQUALITY inc.
150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, N.Y. 10038
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July 14, 1966

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Five Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear ~~Mr. Jordan~~: Vernon

Thanks so much for the $750 contribution to the Citizenship Education workshop in Frogmore, South Carolina. We will certainly see that the funds are properly used. We have had a very thoughtful memorandum from our tax counsel.

I'd be happy to hear from Mr. Wall about special reporting requirements.

Sincerely,

Marv

Marvin Rich
Executive Director

MR:hm

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CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION WORKSHOP

SPONSORED BY: SCHOLARSHIP, EDUCATION AND DEFENSE FUND FOR RACIAL EQUALITY, INC.

PLACE: PENN COMMUNITY CENTER
ST. HELENA ISLAND
FROGMORE, SOUTH CAROLINA

DATE: JULY 20 THROUGH 24, 1966

PARTICIPANTS: POLITICAL CANDIDATES AND CAMPAIGN WORKERS FROM THE STATES OF MARYLAND, SOUTH CAROLINA, GEORGIA, FLORIDA, ALABAMA, MISSISSIPPI, AND LOUISIANA

WEDNESDAY

12:00 - 7:00	Registration and Housing
7:00 - 8:00	Supper
8:00 - 9:30	General Assembly
	Greetings and Introductions

FILMS: HERITAGE OF THE NEGRO:

Host Ossie Davis examines the civilization and civilization and achievements of ancient Africa and their significance to the American Negro today.

THE NEGRO AND THE SOUTH:

Explores the meaning of the term "The Southern way of life" to the South's 43 million whites and 11 million Negroes. Interviews Negro and white citizens, and observes segregated schools in the South.

THURSDAY

8:00 - 9:00	Breakfast
9:00 - 10:00	Introduction and Purposes of the Workshops

Ronnie M. Moore, Leadership Development Director SEDFRE
James McCain, field secretary - CORE-South Carolina
Marvin Rich, Executive Director, SEDFRE

10:00 - 12:30 State Meetings

Groups will assemble according to states. Meeting places will be assigned.

STATE	DISCUSSION LEADER
Louisiana	W. W. Harleaux, President-Iberville Industrial Voter League-Candidate for school board Iberville Parish- Louisiana May 1964
	Ike Reynolds, field secretary-CORE
Mississippi	Annie Devine, MFDP
	Lawrence Guyot, MFDP
Alabama	(names to be announced) member, Southern Christian Leadership Conference Democratic nominee, Wilcox County

STATE	DISCUSSION LEADER
FLORIDA	Spiver Gordon, Community Services Representative, SEDFRE
GEORGIA	(To be selected)
South Carolina	James T. McCain, field secretary CORE- Richard Miles, Director South Carolina Voter Education Project

Representatives from Maryland will join the participants from the state of Georgia for deliberations during the state meetings.

The following topics will be covered during the State meetings:

1- Political divisions - local, state, and national
2- Election laws - registration, political parties, qualifying candidates
3- An evaluation of the state political situation - problems, parties, and personalities

12:00 - 2:00 Lunch
3:00 - 3:30 General Assembly

Group Discussion - Negro Involvement in the ASCS Elections

Discussion Leader: John Zippert

Resource Person : Jac Wasserman, field director of National Sharecroppers Fund - Atlanta, Georgia

5:00 - 6:00 Supper

WORKSHOPS: 3:30 - 5:00 6:00 - 7:30

#1 The two party structure and the history of third parties. Discussion should also include the functions and operations of political parties at various levels of government.

Discussion Leader: Dave Dennis
Resource Person : Leon Shull, Executive Director, Americans For Democratic Action

#2 Conducting a Campaign: The case study approach will be used. Participants will be given a chance to tell their campaign experiences, spelling out the problems they faced while conducting local campaigns.

Discussion Leaders: Att'y. Murphy Bell, Louisiana Counsel, SEDFRE
Candidate for the city counsel, May 1964
Lawrence Guyot

Resource Persons: Percy Sutton, Assemblyman, state of New York
Horace Sheiffield, staff representative
Workers , Detroit, Michigan

7:30 - 8:00 Coffee Break
8:00 - 9:30 General Assembly

Films: Free At last

Traces the history of the American Negro from emancipation to the end of World War II. Presents the views of four major Negro figures-- Frederick Douglass, Booker T. Washington, W.E.B. Dubois, and Marcus Garvey.

The New Mood

Reviews history-making moments in the Civil Rights struggle of the last decade. Includes film coverage showing Martin Luther King, Malcom X, Medger Evers, and others.

FRIDAY
8:00 - 9:00 Breakfast
9:00 - 10:00 General Assembly

WORKSHOPS: 10:00 - 12:30 2:00 - 4:30

#1 Year round political organizations

a) Purpose of local organizations
b) How to organize a local group
c) how to encourage membership
d) Whether local organizations should only concentrate on elections or should local groups concern themselves with community problems.

Discussion Leader: Annie Devine - W. W. Harleaux
Resource Person : Leon Shull

#2 Campaign Organizing - Discussion should include the responsibilities of the campaign manager and the assignment of tasks, canvassing, budget, fund raising, publicity, public relations, literature, membership, recruiting workers, and setting up a calendar

Discussion Leader: Ike Reynolds
Resource Persons: Percy Sutton - Horace Sheiffield

4:30 - 5:30 Break
5:30 - 6:30 Supper

WORKSHOPS: 6:30 - 8:00 8:00 - 9:30

#1 How To Appeal To Voters

a) Platforms and Issues
b) How can a Negro candidate appeal to white voters where the percentage of Negro-White voters is about 50-50?

Discussion Leader: Spiver Gordon
Resource Persons : Kenneth A. Gibson, Candidate for the Office of Mayor, May 1966, Newark, New Jersey
Nils R. Douglas, Candidate, House of Representatives, April 1966, New Orleans, La.

#2 Campaign Plans For Election Day

a) How to set up an election day organization
b) How to get out the vote on election day

Discussion Leader: James McCain
Resource Persons: Percy Sutton - Horace Shieffield
Murphy W. Bell

SATURDAY
8:00 - 9:00 Breakfast
9:00 - 10:00 General Assembly

WORKSHOPS 10:00 - 12:00 1:30 - 3:30

#1 The History of The Negro In American Politics

Discussion Leader: W. W. Harleaux
Resource Persons: August Meier, Historian
Sterling Stuckey, Historian

#2 Support From Labor and Other Groups

Discussion Leader: Nils Douglas
Resource Persons: Norman Hill, Legislative Representative Industrial Union Department AFL-CIO
Kenneth Gibson - Leon Shull
Vernon Jordan, Director Voter Education Project, Southern Regional Council, Atlanta Georgia

12:00 - 1:30 Lunch 5:30 - 6:30 Supper

WORKSHOPS 3:30 - 5:30 6:30 - 8:30

#1 **How To Insure A Fair Vote**

Discussion Leader: James McCain

Resource Person : Marian Wright, Mississippi Counsel, NAACP Legal Defense Fund, Inc.
Charles C. Humpstone, Assistant to General Counsel, United States Commission on Civil Rights

#2 **Current Issues In Negro Politics**

Discussion Leader Richard Haley, Former Director, CORE Southern Regional Office

Resource Persons August Meier
Norman Hill
Sterling Stuckey
Vernon Jordan

8:30 - 12:00 PARTY

SUNDAY
8:00 - 9:00 Breakfast

9:00 - 10:30 State Meetings - Follow-up conferences at state and local levels;development of citizenship education programs for local organization

10:30 - 12:00 EVALUATION SESSION
12:00 LUNCH ** FINALE

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MINUTES FROM STATE MEETINGS

Citizenship Education
Workshop
July 20 - 24, 1966
Frogmore, South Carolina

SOUTH CAROLINA - James T. McCain, Discussion Leader

The participants in the South Carolina group discussed thoroughly the state political situation.

Twelve counties in South Carolina had a total of 24 Negroes running for public office during the first primary of the Democratic Party election. Several went into the second primary. None made the general elections.

Reasons given for the inability to win were:

1. Not enough Negroes registered
2. Lack of political education in Negro communities
3. Division among leading Negro political organizations
4. Lack of knowledge in campaign organizing

One of the major goals of the South Carolina delegation is to remove from public office those officials with seniority who are fighting legislation that will benefit Negroes.

Their immediate program toward achievement of that goal is to correct the above-mentioned weaknesses before

the general election in November. They decided to concentrate their efforts in the Sixth Congressional District.

MISSISSIPPI - Lawrence Guyot, Discussion Leader

The Mississippi delegation (22) thoroughly discussed the political structure of the state beginning with the precinct level. The function of all public officials was explained.

Negroes ran for Congress in the Democratic primary in each of the five Congressional districts. No one made it to the second primary. The main reason for this was the lack of Negro registered voters.

Most of the candidates were aware of this dilemma before they qualified to run. Therefore, the candidates concentrated on several other goals. These were:

1. To stimulate Negro voter registration
2. To increase Negro political education
3. To stimulate Negro political organization
4. To raise issues of importance to the Negro community

In order to take full advantage of the opportunity offered by the 1966 elections in the state, the delegation discussed means of qualifying candidates to run as independents in the November general election.

The remainder of the discussion was on how to begin to prepare people to run for public office in 1967.

SOUTHWEST GEORGIA - Bernice Robinson, Discussion Leader

All of the delegates from Georgia have had experience in political work in the state. They are presently conducting political education workshops in the state. This delegation felt that the major problem confronting Southwest Georgia was the myth of "liberalism" that the state is presently projecting to the nation. They pointed out that many public accommodations are closed to Negroes in areas surrounding Atlanta. They feel that this myth has caused much complacemcy among the Negro people. To illustrate this complacency they pointed out that in Liberty County the Negro registered voters outnumber the white registered voters. Yet, major positions are held by whites even though Negroes have run against whites. The sheriff died while whipping a Negro.

Similar situations exist throughout Southwest Georgia. Some of the methods used by whites to split the Negro vote or dissuade them from making any major attempts to become

politically active are:

1. To spread false rumors about Negro candidates
2. To buy off some influential Negroes
3. To use economic pressure

In discussing the major question of how to combat these activities the following suggestions were made:

1. Prior to an election do a thorough job on political education about the offices open
2. Begin now to develop political organizations from the precinct level
3. Begin to do research on the major issues confronting the community

FLORIDA - Spiver Gordon, Discussion Leader

The Florida delegation discussed the personalities and platforms of the candidates in the present Florida gubernatorial race.

The problems confronting Negro candidates in Florida are similar to those of Negroes in Louisiana and South Carolina.

LOUISIANA- W. W. Harleaux and Murphy Bell, Discussion Leaders

The Louisiana delegation had the largest number of former and present political candidates. Therefore, they spent most of the session analyzing particular cases involving their campaigns.

Four areas were used as prime examples for case studies: West Feliciana Parish, Iberville Parish, Orleans Parish, and Madison Parish.

West Feliciana Parish

In this parish Negroes registered to vote for the first time in 1962. No one in the parish has had experience in political organizing and very few people are aware of the functions and obligations of the elected official in their area. Negroes are afraid to run because they do not feel qualified. Negro registered voters are in the majority.

Plaquemine, Louisiana in Iberville Parish

Negro voter registration is only approximately 30% of the total registration. Negroes have been running for public office for over ten years without success. The major reason for this has been racial conflict in the city. The land area of Plaquemine is structured somewhat like a distorted donut; a large number of Negroes live in the center (hole) which is outside the city limits. The major problem confronting the leaders of Plaquemine is how to best use the voting power of the majority.

An example was given: They are presently involved in an election for a representative on the school board. The present representative from Plaquemine is a racist who wants the current chairman of the board removed. Many white

people in Plaquemine are disturbed by this and therefore want to run another candidate (white, supposedly moderate) against the incumbent. The Negroes want to run a Negro whom they feel is qualified. In a recent meeting between white and Negro leaders, the white leaders asked the Negroes to support their candidate. The Negroes pointed out that they had been compromising for years and that they would like the white leaders to support their Negro candidate in this election. The white leaders refused.

In this situation the incumbent will probably be re-elected. The Negro leaders ask what they should do. Some people thought they should compromise in order to beat the incumbent which would illustrate that the Negro community is important and at the same time get a better man into office. Others felt that they should back the Negro because even though the segregationist incumbent might win it might force the white power structure to compromise and back a Negro in future elections.

Tallulah, Louisiana in Madison Parish

This city's Negro voting population is in the majority also. This year for the first time, they decided to become involved in the political process of their community. Three

Negroes ran in the first primary of the Democratic Party election. Two ran for city council and one for the school board. The Negro candidate for the school board went into the second primary, but the two candidates for city council lost by less than 200 votes. The following caused the defeat of the latter:

1. Over 200 ballots cast by Negroes were voided because they were improperly filled out
2. Several hundred Negroes did not vote

The delegation felt that there was a need for more political education,especially on how to use the ballot, and better campaign organization for election day.

New Orleans, Louisiana, in Orleans Parish

The delegates from Orleans Parish used the campaign of Attorney Nils Douglas to illustrate the problems of Negro candidates in an urban Southern area where there are no Negro elected officials.

Attorney Douglas was running for state representative in the 9th Ward with a voting population of approximately 15,000 Negroes and 26,000 whites. In the first primary he was one of approximately 12 candidates. He ran first in

that primary. In the second primary his white opponent had no qualifications; he refused to make public appearances or speeches. Attorney Douglas had sound qualifications; he appeared on television and radio and made campaign speeches to both white and Negro audiences. Two days prior to the election Attorney Douglas' opponent distributed literature and made speeches accusing him of being a black nationalist, and a slave of civil rights movements. Attorney Douglas' opponent won the election by a count of 16,500 to 8,500. 8,200 of those who voted for Attorney Douglas were Negroes. The question was raised as to how, in such an area, a Negro candidate can appeal to white voters.

Participants concluded in the case study of the Douglas campaign that none of the faults of Attorney Douglas' campaign was that the campaign did not make an effort in the white community other than through television, radio and newspapers. The main reason for this was that no one knew how.

The above examples represent a majority of the communities in Louisiana. The delegation also concluded that the state does not have an organized Negro political base, but that there is a need for one.

Maryland and Alabama delegates integrated with delegates from other states.

August 11, 1966

Mr. Marvin Rich
Executive Director
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Dear Mr. Rich:

Mr. Jordan has given me your letter of August 5, for reply. I am asking today that you be placed on our mailing list. Meanwhile, I am enclosing a copy of the release you saw in The Times.

Please give my regards to Ronnie Moore.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
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cc: Miss Janet Smith

August 16, 1966

Mr. Marvin Rich
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Dear Mr. Rich:

As mentioned in our telephone conversation yesterday, a brief report from you on the Frogmore meeting will cover our needs.

The report should describe how the meetings was organized, who was invited, how many attended, and what the workshop accomplished. Samples should be supplied of any printed material used in connection with the workshop.

I enjoyed my one day stay at the workshop, even though I found myself thrust into the program to fill in for Mr. Jordan. Please relate to Ronnie Moore and to the others connected with the workshop my appreciation for their hospitality.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Vernon Jordan
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Dear Mr. Jordan:

Perhaps you are aware of our organization, at any rate we are a New York based corporation with an office in Tallahassee, Florida .

We are in business for several reasons, however I Assistant Director of the Leadership Development Program and our function is to provide training services to Civil Rights and Community Groups.

In order that we might get a back log of existing organizations in Georgia we wish that you would send us a contact list of Georgia's Organization, as quickly as possible.

Thanking you in advance for your co-operation.

Yours For Equality,

Spiver W. Gordon

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P.S. I am enclosing a pharmplet of our organization.

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TO: MARVIN RICH

FROM: RONNIE M. MOORE October 11, 1966

EVALUATION OF THE CITIZENSHIP
EDUCATION WORKSHOP - July 20-24, 1966
Frogmore, South Carolina

The Scholarship, Education and Defense Fund for Racial Equality sponsored a 5-day non-partisan Citizenship Education workshop at Penn Community Services in Frogmore, South Carolina on the above dates.

Participants were political activists, candidates and campaign workers from the states of Louisiana, Florida, Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Mississippi, and Maryland. Most of the participants are actively involved in the political affairs of their respective communities. Yet, many others were newcomers to politics. Local community groups and national civil rights organizations were consulted during the preliminary planning of the workshop regarding the recruitment of participants, curriculum, and selection of resource persons.

The objectives of the workshop were:

1) to develop a practical understanding of the functions and responsibilities of city, county, and state governmental offices.

2) to introduce participants to the structure, policies, platforms, and personalities of American political parties

3) to develop skill in the ways and means of effective political campaigning

Dave Dennis, veteran Mississippi civil rights leader, traveled through the South for six weeks selecting and recruiting the student body, which included candidates for the Florida State Legislature, for the U. S. House of Representatives from Mississippi (and South Carolina) for the South Carolina State Senate and House of Representatives, and candidates for local offices including, Road Commissioner, Tax Assessor, Alderman, and school board.

Three campaign managers, 81 active political workers and 45 candidates made up the student enrollment which was selected from voters leagues and major civil rights organizations across the South.

SEDFRE enlisted a volunteer faculty of political experts including Leon Shull, Executive Director, Americans for Democratic Action; Percy Sutton, New York State Assemblyman from Harlem, and now Borough President of Manhattan; Horace Sheffield, United Auto Workers Union, Staff Representative; Norman Hill, Legislative Representative, Industrial Union Department of the AFL-CIO; Kenneth Gibson, candidate

for Mayor of Newark, New Jersey; W. W. Harleaux, candidate for the Iberville Parish school board in Louisiana; Lawrence Guyot, Chairman of the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party; Jac Wasserman, Southern Field Director, National Sharecroppers Fund; Attorney Murphy Bell, Louisiana Counsel for SEDFRE: Attorney Nils R. Douglas, candidate for House of Representatives, 9th Ward, New Orleans, Louisiana; Charles C. Humpstone, Assistant General Counsel, U. S. Commission on Civil Rights; August Meier, author and historian; James T. McCain, veteran SEDFRE leader and voter registration and political organization worker in South Carolina.

Expenses were kept down. The workshop cost $10,450. We paid for faculty travel, room and board expenses of students and resource persons and preliminary recruitment expenditures. Faculty generously donated their services.

The following is an attempt to give a summary and evaluation of each session of the workshop. Both will be based upon notes and comments from the participants of the sessions.

WEDNESDAY

Registration of participants - Registration of participants began at 8 p.m. Two films on Negro History were shown. The

first film, "Heritage of the Negro," examined the civilization and achievement of ancient Africa and its significance for the Negro today. The second film, "The Negro and the South", explored the meaning of the term "the Southern way of life" to the South's 43 million whites and 11 million Negroes. Most of this film was composed of interviews with white and Negro citizens in the Mississippi Delta.

Both films were interesting and informative and the participants responded to them very well. The films presented problems with which they were familiar and therefore with which they could easily identify. The films served to break the ice with a very heterogeneous group.

THURSDAY

The workshop began promptly Thursday morning with an explanation of the purpose of the workshop and functions of the sponsoring organization (SEDFRE). Ronnie Moore, Marvin Rich, and James McCain spoke briefly.

FIRST SESSION - State Meetings

The workshop was broken down into groups according to states. An attempt was made to cover the following

topics in each workshop:

1. Political divisions - local, state, and national
2. Election laws - regulation, political situation, qualifying candidates
3. an evaluation of the state political situation - problems, parties, and personalities

The state meetings were excellent for setting the atmosphere for the remainder of the conference. The questions raised by each delegation were answered in some form during the conference.

People were concerned about the affairs of their state and community. They were interested in receiving specific answers to their particular problems which our state session dealt with to some extent. State Citizenship Education conferences are scheduled for the coming year in Florida, South Carolina, Louisiana and Mississippi. If funds permit we shall hold conferences in Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee and other states.

SECOND SESSION - The Two-Party Structure and the History of Third Parties

Leon Shull, Resource Person

The Party System

The party structure and functions often vary by state and community. National committees of parties have very

little power over local areas. They only run the national conventions at which the most important thing is the nomination of Presidential candidates. The party's presidential candidate usually runs the committee and party.

National conventions make policies but state committees are relatively independent. In 1964 the Democratic National Convention rul ed that it would never allow a segregated delegation to sit again. This was a result of the challenge of the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party.

State party representatives are usually elected at levels beginning with the precinct and going on to county, district, state and national. Others are placed on ballots. Each precinct, county (parish) Congressional district and state has a local party chairman for its particular domain.

It was recommended that each participant upon his return home check with the local chairman of the Democratic and Republican parties to find out how they operate.

Third Party

The resource person explained that since the county has a two-party system, third parties have not been able to become a real power or major threat to the two-party system.

Questions were raised by some of the participants as to the possibility of forming local third parties in the South since Negroes are systematically excluded from the structure and operations of both of the major parties in many areas of the South.

Some participants felt that it would be best to get into the structure of the two-party system and fight for change and that any attempt to fight power from outside would be futile.

Others felt that the third party could be used to consolidate the Negro and build a power base for the Negro community.

This session was very good and informative. The session gave many of the participants an opportunity to see how their parties operate.

Participants are very interested in learning more about the structure and function of Democratic and Republican parties of their states and cities.

THIRD SESSION - Conducting a Campaign
Resource Persons, Murphy Bell, Percy Sutton, Horace Sheffield

In preparing to conduct a campaign the following are essential to the candidate:

1. He must get to know the people.

2. How to appeal to both white and Negro voters
3. How to stimulate interest in campaigns
4. Most began campaign too late
5. How to tap community resources (labor groups, teachers, ministers, community organizations)

Much was learned from the mistakes of neophytes. This session set the stage for the remainder of the workshops. Most of the candidates felt that their methods was the correct one prior to the session. They agreed that the session pointed out to them their weaknesses and their need to correct them.

FRIDAY

FIRST SESSION - Year-round Political Organizations

Resource Persons, Leon Shull, W.W. Harleaux

Discussion in this session was on the purposes,methods, and functions of year-round political organizations.

It was stated that the organization should be flexible enough to meet the needs of the people. The voters are interested in the candidate or the organization that is interested in their problems. As many people as possible should be encouraged to participate in the organization's programs. This also encourages membership.

The organization should hold regular meetings to let people express their grievances and make suggestions to the organizations. At these meetings the organization should have a schedule of things to be done before the next meeting and should ask for volunteers to carry out these responsibilities.

Participants were encouraged to talk about the functions of the political organizations that exist in their communities. Mr. Shull presented an excellent paper on political organization.

SECOND SESSION - Campaign Organizing
Resource Persons, Ike Reynolds,
Percy Sutton, Horace Sheffield,
Nils Douglas

A candidate should organize his campaign around the needs of the people. The following are steps which should be taken by the candidate.

1. Find out the needs of the people by talking to the community leaders and the people.

2. Get campaign committee chairman to run the campaign while the candidate uses his time to meet people and speak.

3. Involve as many community leaders in the campaign as possible by putting them in charge of certain committees. (Example: A leading teacher to head a teachers' committee; a leading minister to chair a ministerial group, etc.)

4. A good organizer to head organization committee

5. A recording secretary to keep records and appointments

6. A financial committee to raise funds, should be composed of a cross-section of people

7. A financial secretary to keep records of expenditures

8. Block Captains - keep in touch with voters of area

9. Publicity Manager - keep the press informed of candidates itinerary and activities

10. Telephone committee - organize list of registered voters and call prior to and on election day to encourage people to vote for candidate

11. Platform committee - responsible for writing platform. Committee should be composed of a cross-section of people.

12. Canvassing team-canvasses community daily and distributes material about candidate

13. Speakers' bureau - attends meetings with and for candidate

The session was very well accepted by the participants, one of the reasons being that it dealt in specifics and the participants had something tangible to look at, which was a paper on campaign organizing written by Mr. Shull.

THIRD SESSION - How to Appeal to Voters
Resource Persons, Spiver Gordon,
Kenneth Gibson, Nils R. Douglas

The candidate must work from a broad base so that he can appeal to both races. The platform should meet the needs of the people regardless of race.

The way to appeal to white voters is to approach them as you would anyone else. Attempt to meet with the leaders and ask for their support. Become acquainted with their problems and attempt to meet the problems in the platform.

In Southern rural communities it is believed by many that a Negro cannot "sneak" into office. Therefore, he should have a vigorous and thoughtful campaign in the white community.

The two major questions raised by the participants were: How to appeal to white voters in a community where the racial problem is still major? What compromises can be safely made? The latter question is one constantly faced by the Negro candidate.

FOURTH SESSION - Campaign Plans for Election Day

Resource Persons, James McCain, Murphy Bell, Horace Sheffield, Percy Sutton

The needs of a candidate on election day are:

1. Canvassing committee - students and adults to contact voters door-to-door and urge them to vote for the candidate
2. Telephone committee - to call all registered voters
3. Poll watchers at every polling place
4. Lawyers' committee - to check reports on voting irregularities at polling places
5. Car pool - to take voters to polling places
6. Poll checkers - to keep count of the number of people voting
7. Material at all polling places

SATURDAY

FIRST SESSION - The History of the Negro in American Politics

Resource Persons, August Meier, W. W. Harleaux

This workshop was more of a lecture than a work session. Mr. Meier very effectively traced the history of the Negro in politics from Reconstruction to the present day. Participants were able to see more

clearly some similarities between the struggle of the Negro of yesterday and that of today.

The session was good but there was a need for more visual aids.

SECOND SESSION - Support From Labor and Other Groups

Resource Persons, Norman Hill, Nils Douglas, Kenneth Gibson

The AFL-CIO and local affiliates usually help in the following manner:

C.O.P.E. (Committee on Political Education) is the political arm of the AFL-CIO. It makes endorsements to national and state-wide elections. The national office makes only presidential endorsements. The endorsement of state-wide candidates is decided by their state office or affiliates. The endorsement and aid to candidates in county or city elections are made by the county or city affiliates.

Another national group is the Southern Regional Council's Voter Education Project, which works out of Atlanta, Georgia. This group donates money to local organizations for voter registration and political education programs.

It was pointed out that every community has its own resources such as clubs, churches, ministerial alliances, schools, etc. Participants were encouraged to tap these resources as well.

Participants suggested that SEDFRE make available to them a list of national organizations who give financial aid to local groups for voter registration programs and political campaigns.

THIRD SESSION - How to Insure a Fair Vote
Resource Persons, James McCain,
Charles Humpstone

Several different methods were discussed as to how to insure a fair vote.

1. Have poll watchers at every polling place on election day

2. Have lawyers' committee ready to file complaints if there are unfair procedures

3. If there is evidence prior to election day that there will be discrimination at any polling place, send information to federal government and request"Federal Referees."

4. Have a place where people can make complaints of irregularities on or before election day. Such a place should be publicized.

Insuring a fair vote could be dealt with better in state-wide conferences because of variations in the state voting laws. Therefore, this is an area that needs follow-up in future state conferences. This session was very useful as an introduction to the problem.

FOURTH SESSION - Current Issues in Negro Politics

Resource Persons, Richard Haley, August Meier, Norman Hill

The current issues in Negro politics which were discussed are:

1. Anti-poverty program - the problem of getting more local Negro people administrative positions, and decreasing the control of the program by city administration.

2. Job training
3. More civil service employment of Negroes
4. Higher wages
5. Administration of welfare programs
6. Police brutality
7. School desegregation
8. Better streets
9. More recreational facilities

The Conference was quite a success. Everyone said that he had learned something. Faculty and student response has been enthusiastic. Some comments by students:

Zelma C. Wyche, Tallulah, Louisiana
" The discussion on how to run a campaign really fascinated me because it brought out so many things of importance that I overlooked in my 1st campaign for alderman."

Percy McShan, Boligee, Alabama

"The information that was given on how to campaign and get the people out led me to know that why we lost in the May primary was partly on our own part."

Rev. Otis D. Blake, Gainesville, Florida

"It came to our minds that we should have an organization that would work to our advantage in planning for future elections. We also learned the key men of our state that we should contact for fair play."

Dr. Robert L. Gill, Baltimore, Maryland

"As a trained political scientist I must honestly confess that I liked the entire program."

Willie McDaniel, Madison, Florida

"I like the fact that a candidate doesn't have to win to help his community. A losing candidate may bring up some issues that would never be mentioned if he had not run."

Mr. J. W. Augustus, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

" I am up for election to the East Baton Rouge School Board. Before I came to this workshop I knew I would win, but after hearing others who have run for public office and lost, it wakes me up to not make some mistakes they made."

E. Marie Robinson, Tchula, Mississippi

"We discussed what offices are open and available to Negroes in Mississippi; that was well and clearly understood."

Participants made the following suggestions for improvement:

1. More written material to be made available to participants

2. State-wide conferences be set up immediately
3. Conferences be more centrally located
4. More discussions on local governments with resource people who are familiar with the state
5. More films on Negro history
6. A list of names and addresses of organizations that give financial aid to local groups for voter registration and political education and political campaigning.

In our follow-up conferences we are doing the things suggested above. Demand for additional Citizenship Education Workshops is heavy and expansion of the program is planned. Future workshops will be held on a state-by-state basis, enabling concentration on state-wide political law and structure, problems and possibilities. Participants have requested printed material -- handbooks on local political organization, on the details of conducting a campaign, on fund raising; they want further discussion on local governments led by faculty familiar with the local and state situation; they want more films on Negro history (two were shown at the Workshop).

Enclosed is a first draft of our handbook on political organizing. Copies are being sent to the Frogmore participants and copies will be used in our state conferences in the year 1966-67.

Organizations Represented at the Frogmore Citizenship Education Workshop, July 20-24, 1966

Alabama

Jefferson County (Birmingham) Christian Movement for Human Rights

Green County Civic League

SCLC, Birmingham

SCLC, Selma

Florida

Gainesville Voters for Equal Rights

Civic Interest Group of Gadsen County

Jackson County Civic Interest Group

Tallahassee CORE

Jacksonville SCLC

Madison NAACP

Georgia

Worth County (Albany) Improvement League

Progressive Group of the World, Albany

SCLC, Albany

Albany Movement

Southwest Georgia Movement

Carp County Movement

Crisp County Movement

Leesburg SNCC

Cordele SNCC

Louisiana

New Orleans Civil Rights Research Council

Iberville Industrial Voters League

Opelousas Citizens for a Better Community

Clinton CORE

Ferriday CORE

Jackson CORE

Bogalusa Voters League

Madison Voters League

Baton Rouge Voters League

West Feliciana Voters League

Claiborne Parish Civic League

Baton Rouge Workers Voters League

Baton Rouge CORE

Jonesboro CORE

St. Francisville Voters League

Maryland

McKeldin Republican Club, Baltimore

Mississippi

Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party

ATTAL Community Program, Kosciusko

CDGM, Kosciusko

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TO: VEP-76

November 15, 1966

Mr. Ronnie M. Moore
Leadership Development Director
Scholarship, Education and Defense Fund
For Racial Equality, Inc.
150 Nassau Street
New York, New York 10038

Dear Mr. Moore:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Scholarship, Education and Defense Fund for Racial Equality, Inc. for a grant to conduct a statewide citizenship workshop in Louisiana. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your grant in the amount of $1,500.00 in support of your Citizenship Education Workshop.

Our check in the amount of $1,500.00 is enclosed. Please sign and return the enclosed receipted carbon immediately.

At the conclusion of the workshop, we are requiring a complete financial accounting of how these funds were disbursed.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support for your citizenship workshop.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding special reporting requirements to the Project.

If we can be of any assistance to you in implementing this program, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

cc: Mr. Marvin Rich

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Received check from the Voter Education Project in the amount of $1,500.00, this 16th day of November, 1966.

Signed: Ronnie M. Moore
Ronnie M. Moore
Leadership Development Director
Scholarship, Education and
Defense Fund for Racial Equality
150 Nassau Street
New York, New York

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TELEPHONE 964-8210

November 21, 1966

Mr. Vernon Jordan
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jordan:

I received your letter of November 15, 1966 and I was delighted to find an enclosure of $1,500 which was granted to us by your organization for support of our Citizenship Education Workshop, which will be held in Louisiana, December 16-18, 1966.

As we discussed at our last conference in Atlanta, I am involving the field director of the Louisiana Council of NAACP Branches and the executive director of the Louisiana Commission on Human Relations, in both the recruitment and planning of the workshop.

As stipulated in your letter, we shall submit to you a complete financial accounting of how the funds were disbursed, and we shall be non-partisan and non-political. We shall also comply with the reporting requirements of your group, as to the workshop.

I am sending you, under separate cover, a report of the Voter Registration Organizational Conference in Plaquemine, Louisiana, November 12, 1966. The proposal on voter registration which I submitted to you has been changed, and a copy of the new proposal, coming out of the November 12 meeting, will also be sent to you.

Enclosed please find signed receipt of your check. SEDFRE is indeed grateful. I am looking forward to working with you and the NAACP Legal Defense Fund in setting up a similar citizenship education workshop for the state of Mississippi. I shall keep in touch. Many thanks,

Sincerely,

Ronnie Moore

RONNIE M. MOORE
Leadership Development Director
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Louisiana Citizenship Education Workshop

December 16 -18, 1966

Plaquemine, Louisiana

FINANCIAL REPORT

Submitted by: Ronnie M. Moore
Ronnie M. Moore, Director
Leadership Development

Scholarship, Education & Defense Fund for Racial Equality, Inc.

150 Nassau Street Room 1030
New York, New York 10038

Louisiana Citizenship Education Workshop

December 16-18, 1966

Plaquemine, Louisiana

FINANCIAL REPORT

I. Recruitment (2 months)

A. Automobile expenses ($225 per month) as a car allowance for SEDFRE staff members ..... $ 450.00

B. Room & Board for SEDFRE staff members ($100 per month) ..... $ 200.00

C. Salary for SEDFRE staff members ($125 per month for 8 weeks) $1000.00

II. Housing of 35 trainees for the weekend @ $5 per person ..... $ 175.00

Housing of 10 trainees and meals for 60 persons, plus rental of assembly place ..... $ 432.00

III. Student Travel ..... $ 193.22

IV. Faculty Travel

A. David Cohen - round trip from Washington, D.C. to Baton Rouge ..... $ 148.37

B. Ronnie M. Moore - round trip from New York to Baton Rouge ..... $ 168.10

C. James T. McCain - round trip from Columbia, S.C. to Baton Rouge ..... $ 136.80

V. Rental of films ..... $ 19.00

VI. Information kits which included the distribution of 400 copies of SEDF's pamphlet "Political Strength - How To Get It", @ $2 per person ..... $ 120.00

Sub-Total $3052.49

Grant from Voter Education Project, Southern Regional Council $1500.00

Total cost of Workshop to SEDFRE $1542.49

December 16-17
Citizenship Education Workshop
Plaquemine, La.

35 persons housed in various homes in Plaquemine La. at a rate of $5.00 per persons for the week-end

Total 175.00

Submitted by
Spine W Bodas
12/16-18-66

CR #1372
12/17/66

December 18, 1966

Food for 60 persons (five meals for each person) @ $1.25 per meal totaling $6.25 per person for the weekend..... $ 375.00

Housing of workshop participants in hotel. (10 persons)..... 50.00

Rental of assembly place..... 7.00

$ 432.00

Mrs Gladys Jackson

Jackson's Restaurant
Plaquemine, Louisiana

Pd by checks # 1370 & 1371

STUDENT TRAVEL EXPENSE
REPORT

NAME	DESCRIPTION(town & mileage)	Amount	SIGNATURE
Ellis Howard	2 cars; 187 miles round trip (374 total) St. Helena Parish	$ 22.44	Ellis Howard
Nathaniel Smith	3 cars; 126 miles round trip (378 total) W. Feliciana Parish	22.68	Nathaniel Smith
Henry Brown	2 cars; 146 miles round trip (292 total) E. Feliciana Parish	13.52	Brown (H.)
Hall Davis	2 cars; 40 miles round trip (80 total) W. Baton Rouge Parish	4.80	Hall Davis
Percy Simms	2 cars; 13 miles round trip (26 total) Ascension Parish	6.24	Percy Simms
Ike Reynolds	2 cars; 125 miles round trip (250 total) Orleans Parish	30.00	Ike Reynolds
Charles Augustus	2 cars; 47 miles round trip (94 total) E. Baton Rouge Parish	5.64	Charles Augustus
Sam Jackson	2 cars; 75 miles round trip (150 total) Pointe Coupee Parish	9.00	Sam Jackson
Robert Hicks	2 cars; 210 miles ~~round~~ trip (420 total) Washington Parish	25.20	Robert Hicks
Louis Montgomery	2 cars; 87½ miles round trip (175 total) Tangipohoa Parish	10.50	Louis Montgomery
Irene Davis	2 cars; 360 miles round trip (720 total) Madison Parish	43.20	Irene Davis
	TOTAL	$193.22	

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December 22, 1966

Mr. Ronnie M. Moore
Leadership Development Director
SEDF for Racial Equality
150 Nassau Street
New York, New York 10038

105.84
148.37
254.21

Dear Mr. Moore:

Enclosed are the airline receipts for David Cohen's travel to the Louisiana Workshop, totaling $148.37. It is my understanding that we are to be reimbursed for this.

Sincerely yours,

Lucille H. Kidney

(Mrs.) Lucille Harris Kidney

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Mr. Ronnie Moore
Scholarship, Education and
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150 Nassau Street
New York, New York 10038

Dear Mr. Moore:

In your letter of November 21 to Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., you stated that you would submit a complete financial accounting of how the funds for your Citizenship Education Workshop in Louisiana were disbursed. May I remind you that we have not received this accounting.

It is very necessary that we have this accounting at your earliest possible convenience.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

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February 14, 1967

Mr. Vernon Jordan, Jr.
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Vernon:

I received a letter from Mr. Marvin Wall on November 21, 1966. I sincerely regret replying at this late date. However, some of the items he requested were not ready until after the first of the year.

Enclosed please find the following:

1. Evaluation and agenda of the Louisiana Citizenship Education Workshop which was largely sponsored by the Voter Education Project, December 16-18, 1966

2. A financial report

3. Our new pamphlet on citizenship education, "Political Strength - How To Get It"

4. Our Citizenship Education Prospectus for one day county or parish seminars for the states of South Carolina, Louisiana and Florida.

I sincerely hope that you will find the enclosed satisfactory.

The other day I received an election calendar from the AFL-CIO Committee on Political Education and I note that April 7, 1967

Cont'd...

is the final filing date for the primary election in Mississippi. I would like to express, once again, our interest in conducting a state-wide workshop for political candidates in Mississippi. We would like to do this, as you requested, in conjunction with the Voter Education Project and the NAACP Legal Defense Fund.

I am looking forward to a long and close working relationship with you and other groups.

Many thanks,

Sincerely,

ROBBIE M. MOORE
Leadership Development Director

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cc: Mr. Marvin Wall
Mr. Thaddeus Olive
Mr. Marvin Rich

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150 NASSAU STREET
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TELEPHONE 964-8210

TO: Mr. Vernon Jordon, Executive Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia

FROM: Ronnie M. Moore
Leadership Development Director
Scholarship, Education & Defense Fund
for Racial Equality, Inc.
New York, New York

RE: Citizenship Education Workshop
for Louisiana, ~~November 25-27, 1966~~; Dates will change
South Carolina, December 2-4, 1966; and
Mississippi, February 24-26, 1967

Under separate cover I sent an evaluation of the SEDF Southern Regional Citizenship Education workshop which was held July 20-25, 1966 in Frogmore, South Carolina. Related materials (e.g. our manual on political organizing and minutes from state sessions at the Frogmore conference) will be delivered to you when we meet on Wednesday, November 9, 1966.

The participants in the statewide workshops will be political activists -- both candidates and campaign workers who are seeking knowledge on the techniques and methods of effective political campaigning. The workshops will be designed and organized to cover specific information on state issues in the area of citizenship education. For example, we shall discuss: (1) state election laws and voting procedures, (2) structures, policies, personalities, platforms and principles of major political parties, and (3) other items suggested by the participants in Frogmore meeting. The agenda will be tailored to meet the needs of the students in each state. Usually, we accept 65 to 70 participants from a cross section of community and political groups which have been actively engaged in politics. When we add the usual number of 10 resource persons, the attendance is at least 75.

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TO: Mr. Vernon Jordon

FROM: Ronnie M. Moore

RE: Citizenship Education Workshops

BUDGET (75 Persons)

Room and Board $12.00 per person for the weekend	$ 900.00
Faculty travel (persons from labor unions and governmental agencies travel at their expense. We must pay for resource persons from private groups.)	450.00
Student travel (5¢ per mile per carload; round trip traveling usually totals 6,000 miles)	300.00
Information kits ($1.00 each)	75.00
Recruitment (Spiver Gordon who will travel each state usually takes a month to recruit participants)	
Salary ($125 per week)	500.00
Car rental	129.00
Gasoline, room & board	150.00
	$ 2,504.00
10% Administrative Charge	250.40
TOTAL	$ 2,754.40

We request the Voter Education Project to co-sponsor these three workshops and share equally in the expenses.

November 7, 1966
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ORGANIZING FOR POLITICAL ACTION

INTRODUCTION

This information on political organization is meant to suggest to you general ways to organize in your community. It is based on State Representative DeVerne Calloway's experience in Missouri and on James McCain's in South Carolina, where he has built successful county organizations. Yet each political situation will differ according to various factors--whether it is rural or urban, whether or not Negro registrants constitute a majority. Also, election laws will vary from state to state. Thus, we in SEDFRE hope you will use this information as a general guide, freely adapting it to apply to the political situation in your community.

THE IMPORTANCE OF PRECINCT ORGANIZATION

The precinct is the smallest and most important unit in American politics. All elections are counted by precincts and are won or lost in the precinct. Real political power can be built in the precinct. Negro political power in the United States depends on how well Negroes organize in the precincts.

States are divided into counties or parishes. Counties or parishes are divided into wards, or groups of precincts. Precincts are sometimes called election districts. There are 171,413 city and rural precincts in the nation. Each contains roughly from 400 to 1,000 potential voters.

New voters, well-organized in precincts and wards, bring forward their own issues and run their own candidates. Well-organized new voters also have the right to participate in major-party political structures. Where Negro precinct organization is strong, its leaders work on action on local conditions, on the choice and development of issues and on choice of candidates with white political leaders, for the interest of all the people. Existing party structures must take new voters seriously when the new voters represent political value and voting power.

SOME VALUES IN DEMOCRATIC PRECINCT ORGANIZATION

In cities, a precinct is a section containing as many as fifty blocks. In rural areas, where a precinct is a section of a county, the church or community center is the equivalent of the block.'

Block clubs are the heart of good precinct organization: issues are developed in block meetings. Through block clubs, more of the community is drawn into the precinct organization. Each block club elects its leader. Block leaders report to precinct officers. Block leaders help each other on common goals. Block leaders support each other on different goals. The democratic organization in the blocks continues into the democratic organization of the precinct. This is the source of precinct strength. In the precinct organization, all issues and candidates are discussed. Support is openly arrived at. Action is voted upon. Every member has a right to his say. When precinct organization is democratic and strong, everyone participates in making decisions. Members are, therefore, more willing to stick with the group rather than frittering away their power in individual actions.

Precinct leaders work together to build strength in the wards. When all the precincts in a ward have agreed on a candidate, it is absolutely up to each precinct leader to deliver the vote of his precinct for that candidate. This is only possible with good precinct organization. ALL the leaders from the well-organized precincts of the ward form a team to carry any petitions for the improvement of local conditions, or for any purpose, to City Hall. This prevents City Hall from playing off one precinct against another.

ORGANIZING THE PRECINCT

The Block

Block organizing and precinct organizing begin at the same time. The block group is the basis of year-round political strength. One person can organize the block. Talk to neighbors, arrange for a meeting in a home. Set the date and time. Telephone other neighbors asking them to come. If three show at first, that's enough. Neighbors like getting to know each other in block meetings and will talk about what troubles them most in the neighborhood--poor street lighting, unpaved streets, lack of sidewalks, not enough playgrounds, too slow school integration. The same people might not talk in a big precinct meeting. Smart leaders will not impose issues but will let issues develop naturally in block discussions. People may want to talk up small issues first then go to the big ones. The issues that fire people are the ones they discover themselves.

When the block group is going, meetings may be called every two weeks.

Election law is learned.
Mock elections with sample ballots are held.
Block people will know who is not registered and can inform precinct officers.
Block people will know if any young men or women are just twenty-one and should register.
Block people will join election-day committees to see that every voter on the block goes to the polls.

THE PRECINCT

To organize the precinct, talk politics and political organization with your neighbors and friends. Work toward a meeting in a home. If any block clubs have been formed, telephone the leaders and members. Set the place for the meeting and the time. By telephone or visits invite all interested persons. It is enough if four or five persons attend the first meeting. If possible, at the first meeting elect a precinct chairman.

The Precinct Chairman

The Precinct Chairman should write to the Secretary of State or the Board of Registrars at the state capitol for a copy of the state election laws. Usually one copy is free. It will cover procedures in federal, state, county, and local elections in your state. It will tell how candidates qualify to run for office. From this book, learn the election laws of the state. Use the copy of the election laws as a political education textbook in precinct meetings. Send for a few extra copies for the use of your helpers. The small charge for extra copies will be well worth the expense.

Find out how the local government works. Visit City Hall, sit in on public meetings of local government--city or community council. Learn how delegates are elected to the County, State and National political conventions. From the county court house or the Board of Elections, get a list of the registered voters in your precinct, and get a map of the precinct.

THE BEST WAY TO ORGANIZE your precinct is to become thoroughly familiar with it. Learn its physical boundaries by street and house number, and if it is a rural precinct, drive around in it until you know its roads and houses by heart. Learn what precincts touch yours. Get to know who are the property owners in your precinct and who owns the businesses. Know the block leaders. Know which fraternal and other organizations are im-

portant. Know who is on welfare, who is getting child aid, who is taking part in federal programs, who is reliable and who is unstable. In a city, know the rooming houses, and who runs them. Know the professional people, the ministers. Get to know where the employed people work and what kind of work the unemployed are seeking. Be on speaking terms with the children and know who their parents are. Get so familiar with your precinct that if someone wakes you in the middle of the night and asks who lives at X address on Y street or road, you can answer right off. As you get to know your voters, they get to know you.

A good precinct chairman organizes himself. He decides how much he intends to do and when. He knows how much time he will spend on politics. He plans his time. All his material is handy and organized in one place. Then he has himself well on the way to skillful, competent leadership. His own table and telephone is precinct headquarters. There he keeps:

The registration list
The precinct map
A card file with a separate card for each member of the organization. He puts on the card the member's name, telephone number, and all information concerning the member: age, what organizations he or she belongs to, what church, where he works, what he or she can do in an election: canvass, baby-sit, telephone, form a carpool, He keeps this file active and adds information as he gets it. At all times he carries a notebook in which to jot addresses and reminders.

How to meet voters

Successful politics is largely a matter of getting to know many people. The precinct chairman and his helpers in voter registration and canvassing know the rules on how best to approach people:

Before you approach a door, know the name of the person who lives on the other side of it.
When possible visit in two's--a man and woman make a good team.
Plan the visit when the whole family will be at home and will not be at a meal. Involve the whole family in the conversation.
Identify yourself and state the purpose of the visit: registration, membership in the precinct organization, an issue, a vote.

Don't ever, ever argue with people.
Don't get angry with anyone.
Don't ask people right off about their political convictions.
Be neatly dressed.
Leave literature if possible. Leave information about the next block or precinct meeting.
After you have left, mark on cards or in a notebook names of all persons of voting age, registered or not, telephone number, attitude. Also, the help needed to register or vote (baby-sitter, transportation).

STRUCTURE OF PRECINCT ORGANIZATION

Membership: Any registered voter in the precinct who is in accord with your purpose may become a member. All members of the block organization are members of the precinct organization.

Officers: Precinct Chairman. Assistant chairman. Secretary.

Duties of officers:

The elected precinct chairman calls precinct meetings and chairs them.

He is responsible for the smooth functioning of his unit.
He appoints committee chairmen and leaders for unorganized blocks.

The assistant chairman is elected. He assists the chairman in choosing new block leaders. He relieves the chairman of such details as the two agree on.
He officiates at meetings in the chairman's absence.
He shares the responsibility of organizing the precinct by taking definite assignments for home visits and contact with voters.

The secretary is elected. He keeps minutes of each meeting in a permanent ledger or notebook. He, or the Treasurer, records all financial contributions (dues, memberships, donations) reported at precinct meetings with name, amount, and date.
He keeps a list of all members of the unit with addresses and telephone numbers.
He forwards duplicates of all such lists to the Ward Secretary.
He sends out meeting notices.
He is present at all precinct meetings and, if unable to attend, notifies the precinct chairman and makes the minute book available.

PRECINCT MEETINGS.

Sample agenda:

Call to order
Reading of minutes
Report of precinct chairman
Report of committee chairmen
Report of block leaders.
Old business
New business
Special feature
Adjournment

Once every two months is usually often enough for the precinct meeting. In the three or four months before an election, a precinct meeting once each month is advisable, Use precinct meetings for political education. Acquaint people with voting procedures in the community. Use sample ballots and miniature voting machines. Discuss candidates and their platforms. Invite candidates to speak to the voters. Have question and answer periods after the speeches. Teach voters to vote their own convictions rather than following instructions. Teach voters how to qualify their own candidates and how to run an election campaign.

Plan precinct meetings carefully

Don't rush
Pick the right time and place
Get people to come--through good publicity, personal invitation, personal letter.
Appoint committees and chairmen to get people to come, and give these helpers definite assignments.
Besides routine business, plan a special feature for each meeting. This can be a film, filmstrip, speaker.
Make the precinct meeting very interesting.

REGISTRATION

In every Negro community in the country many eligible voters are not registered. Often registration could be doubled. It is obvious that nation-wide and local Negro political power depend on getting out every possible vote. Therefore, precinct chairmen and their helpers must work continuously toward total registration in the precinct.

For a registration campaign:

Don't forget to enlist women in this work
Ring doorbells
Get announcements about when and where to register
Ask ministers to make registration announcements at the end of the service
Or ask them to allow a precinct worker to make the announcement
Put posters in theatres, churches, clubs, wherever people gather
Use handbills, buttons, bumper tags, stickers
Use sound trucks

If necessary, bring pressure on county election officials to extend registration days and hours to accommodate working people unable to register on weekdays. In Alabama, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Virginia and Louisiana, if county officials make it difficult, you can ask the U. S. Attorney General to appoint Federal Registrars. The Precinct Chairman adds the name of each new voter to his registration list. Each new name, with address and telephone number, is forwarded to the ward or county organization.

In most states, if the precinct is not running its own candidates in an election, and if there are no candidates on the ballot that the precinct can honestly support, the precinct can decide on a write-in campaign. Members can be instructed how to write in the name of their own candidate on the ballot. This will be a protest vote.

Sometimes the precinct organization will decide to support a candidate of another group. In this case the organization will want to examine the candidate's record and platform carefully. You will want to find out all about him from people in hiw own district who know him. You will want him to come to a precinct meeting to speak and answer questions. You have a right to exact definite promises from him in return for your support. If you watch your step, you can build real power. At other times, the precinct organization will want to run its own candidates. It is a good idea to run good, qualified candidates in the primaries for local, city, county, state and national office. Usually it is better to run a candidate and lose than not to run a candidate at all. When Negroes ran for office in recent elections, 90% of the Negro vote came out.

The precinct organization aims to have every voter vote in every election held in the precinct. A constant slogan in good organization is: VOTE every time, exercise the vote.

HOW TO ORGANIZE A POLITICAL CAMPAIGN.

The campaign manager:

Every candidate needs one. He is the candidate's business manager and chief adviser. He does not seek the spotlight but runs the campaign from his office at headquarters specially set up for the campaign.

He schedules the campaign.
He arranges for the candidate's speeches and public appearances.
He raises money.
He recruits and organizes volunteers.
On Election Day, he directs the teams that get out every last vote.
He knows the community, the clubs, the organizations. He knows how to involve people in work for the candidate.

The campaign manager and the candidate work closely together at all times, but in any real disagreement the candidate has the last word. The campaign manager starts planning the campaign and forming committees months before Election Day. Good timing is essential.

By starting on a campaign months in advance of Election Day, you have a chance to see how issues develop,which ones are the strongest, which ones fall by the wayside from lack of appeal. You must find the opportunity to create issues. With an early start, you are more likely to have the best issues going for you well before Election Day.

TIMING A CAMPAIGN FOR A NOVEMBER ELECTION.

This schedule should give you ideas on how to work up a suitable schedule for your election campaign.

May 1 to September 1.

Get support for your candidate from all groups, clubs, and organizations in the precinct.
Sign and file nominating petitions.
Qualify the candidate according to state election laws.
Plan basic strategy, major issues.

Choose major committee chairmen and block captains.
Start recruiting volunteers.
Build card files.
Draw up a budget and start getting commitments for money.
Open a campaign headquarters. Make this a big event.
Find the best free place in the precinct.
Set up citizens' committees: Veterans for Jones, Farmers for Jones.
Begin training speakers and canvassers.

September 1 to October 1

Start speech making and canvassing.
Start the candidate's round of personal appearances.
Start real fund raising.
Start the publicity program, designed to reach a peak in the last week of the campaign.
Print and distribute posters, pamphlets, direct-mail leaflets, speakers' kits.
Organize children to hand out leaflets on Saturdays at supermarkets and busy corners in cities, and wherever there are crowds in rural areas.

At three or four monthly precinct meetings before Election Day, arrange for a major speaker to support your candidate. At these meetings have the candidates speak.

October 1 to October 20th.

Start rallies and parades.
Step up canvassing, fund raising, speakers' programs.
Schedule a radio or television speech by the candidate for the evening before election.

Last two weeks before election.

Start telephone campaigns.
Start street-corner rallies.
Set up major speeches, press interviews.
Send thank-you notes to contributors.
Prepare Election Day program, training poll watchers, checkers, baby-sitters and drivers.

ELECTION DAY

Have poll watchers and checkers on duty with substitutes ready in case any regulars are unavailable.

Dispatch baby-sitters and drivers.
Have teams telephone voters to be sure to go to the polls.
Send messengers to bring out late voters.
Hold an Election-night party for the workers and voters, thanking them all.

Throughout the campaign, and especially on Election Day, the campaign manager keeps handy his copy of the state election laws, to be sure his workers make no technical errors on which they can be challenged, and to be sure of the rights of his workers if they are challenged. In some communities it may be necessary to have a lawyer stand by to insure that the laws are obeyed. It may even be necessary to secure support from the United States Department of Justice.

After Election Day

Win or lose, telephone, or personally thank all workers and contributors.

MOCK ELECTIONS

New voters need special education in how to mark a ballot and how to work a voting machine. Mock elections can be held in block and precinct meetings. It is good if each new voter attends three mock elections. Three weeks, two weeks and one week before Election Day is good timing. Set the meeting up like a classroom. If paper ballots are used in your precinct, put up before the class a large version of a ballot. You will not be able to get an actual sample ballot of the coming election until about ten days before Election Day, so for the first two mock elections you will have to improvise a ballot. In class, give each new voter a pencil and a regular size sample ballot that you have run off on a mimeograph machine.

On the big ballot, show exactly how to mark it.
Go over and over this information.
Ask each student to mark the ballot. Get him to fold it as it is folded in an election.
Ask him to write his name on the back of the ballot, explaining that this is not done in a real election.
Collect the ballots and drop them in a ballot box.
Show the class how an incorrectly marked ballot is a vote lost.
Names on the backs of the ballots will tell who has marked the ballot incorrectly. Teach each person who did it wrong how to get it right.

Miniature voting machines often can be obtained on request from county registration officials or from the Secretary of State at the State Capitol. Show each voter how to use the voting machine.

HOW TO RAISE MONEY FOR A POLITICAL CAMPAIGN:

Plan all steps of the fund-raising drive in advance.
Time the drive so that it will not conflict with another appeal, or come on the heels of another drain on the pocketbooks of the precinct members.
Appoint collectors for every section of the community and give them all information on the candidate and the issues.
Give them literature on the candidate.
Train the collectors to answer all questions about the candidate and the campaign.
Train the collectors to approach people positively, appealing simply and directly to them as good voters.
Collectors ought not give people an easy way out by making a half-hearted appeal. Nor should they use high-pressure tactics.
Collectors should make it plain that money for the candidate's campaign should come primarily from the people who will benefit by his election.
Continue the drive until you are satisfied that every member of the precinct organization has been personally asked for his contribution.

It is not difficult to raise money for a good candidate.

Form a financial committee for the campaign.
Get committee members to contact civic and fraternal clubs, religious organizations and well-wishers.
Get committee members to ask pastors to ask their congregations to make a contribution.
Toward the end of the campaign, when you have big precinct meetings with important speakers, take up a collection.

It is not difficult to organize politically, and to run candidates for office. It requires work and attention to important detail. But, who minds work for a good cause? You will find, when you begin to work in politics, that it's fun, that it's exciting, and that YOU CAN WIN.